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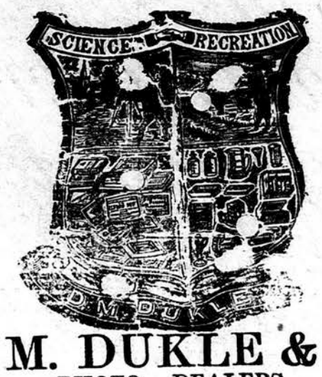

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DHALKIBAI, widow and administratrix of the late NANABHAI WASSDEO.....Plaintiff.
vs.
GOPAL SUDKOJEE GOVIND SUDKOJEE, and BALLARAM SUDKOJEE.....Defendants.

PURSUANT to the Decree Absolute made in the above Suit and bearing date the 31st day of July, 1905, the following immoveable property will be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION by the Commissioner of this Honourable Court at his Office in the Court House on WEDNESDAY the 21st day of March, 1906, at the hour of half past three o'clock in the afternoon (Standard Time). The said sale is without a reserved Bid pursuant to the Judge's order dated the 17th March, 1906.

PARTICULARS.

All the estate, right, title and interest of the above-named Plaintiff and Defendants in the following property, namely:—

All that piece or parcel of Government land or ground together with the messuage tenements or dwelling house standing thereon situate lying and being in the City of Bombay on the Eastern side of Khoombhar Wada Street containing by Admeasurement One hundred and seventy square yards or thereabouts a little more or less and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue and under Collector's Old No. 2777, Collector's No. 9771, Old Survey No. 139 and New Survey No. 5537, and registered in the books of the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under Ward No. 7626 and Street No. 23 and bounded as follows:—that is to say on or towards the North by the house of Sir Jeejeebhoy Batliwala, on or towards the South by the house of Tookaram Sumbhajee Bolay, on or towards the East by a sweeper's passage and on or towards the West by the said Khoombhar Wada Street.

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A. K. OLIVER,
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"The Pathas Nightmare"		350 feet.
"Three Phases of the Moon"		150 feet.
"Fire Cascades"		130 feet.
"The Young Tramps"		700 feet.
PROGRAMME No. 2 FROM 8 to 9 P.M.		
"An Impatient Customer"		100 feet.
"Brasilian Dance"		130 feet.
"School boys practical Joke"		120 feets.
"The Wig"		130 feet.
"A bad Joke"		80 feet.
"The Hairdressers Victim"		70 feet.
"Room please"		70 feet.
"The Troublesome Fishbone"		100 feet.
"The Motor Car and the Cripple".		130 feet.
"My Neighbours Lamp"		130 feet.
"Kids Practical Jokes"		190 feet.
"Vendetta"		700 feet.

ADMISSION to each Representation 1st Class, One Rupee,—2nd class 8 annas, 3rd Class 4 Annas.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATIONS.

GREAT WRESTLING CONTEST
FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP OF INDIA.
SATURDAY NEXT, 24TH MARCH,
AT 9-30 P. M. sharp,
IN THE PARIS CINEMATOGRAPH PAVILION,
CRUICKSHANK ROAD.

PARL VICTOR,
WINNER of 48 PRIZES and 5 CHAMPIONSHIPS,
LIGHT WEIGHT CHAMPION WRESTLER of FRANCE,
GERMANY, AUSTRIA, ITALY and INDIA.

Held the Indian Championship for 5 years, was trained by Powell, Pouse of Paris, Henri Ebaris of Berlin and Hacksmidt of Russia. Will wrestle for the

CHAMPIONSHIP of INDIA
and a PURSE of Rs. 300 with
ALFRED STAR,
Winner of 19 Prizes and 1 Championship
MIDDLE WEIGHT CHAMPION OF GERMANY
Trained by Hitzler of Munich and Rock of Frankfort
And for a PURSE of Rs. 300 with
CHARLES BRYGANT,
The HEAVY WEIGHT CHAMPION of FRANCE, Winner of 53 PRIZES and 3 CHAMPIONSHIPS, was Training Master to the Wrestling School of Paris.

THE WRESTLING TO BE IN GREECO-ROMAN STYLE.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:
Reserved Seats near the Platform, Rs. 5.
Second Seats Reserved, Rs. 3.
Unreserved Seats, Rs. 2.
Side Seats One Rupee.
Plan of Seats at SUNDY & Co,

S. S. "CITY OF MANCHESTER."

CONSIGNEES are requested TO TAKE DELIVERY of their CARGO from the DOCK, Chafed or Broken Packages must be surveyed before removal from the Landing Shed. The Undersigned decline to survey Goods removed to the Unclaimed Weekly Warehouse.

Lifts exceeding 30 cwts. will be delivered into Consignees' Boats, and, if not alongside in time, will be landed or placed in boats, at Steamer's Option, at their Risk and Expense.

Captain MacFADYEN will attend every morning to survey Damages, etc., and all Claims must be carried to by him and sent in within a month of Steamer's arrival, or they will not be paid.

KILLICK, NIXON & CO., Agents.

Messrs. EDWARD BATES and SONS' AGENCY, Apollo Street, Bombay, 20th March, 1906.

THE BOMBAY TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Telephone Buildings, Hornby Road, at 2 P. M., on THURSDAY, the 29th March, 1906, to receive the Directors' Report, pass the Audited Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1905, declare a Dividend, elect Directors in the place of those who retire by rotation, but who are eligible for re-election, appoint Auditors for the ensuing year, and fix their remuneration and transact any other business that may be brought forward.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 20th March to SATURDAY, the 31st March, 1906, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Directors,
H. BLACKWELL,
Secretary.

Bombay, 14th March, 1906.

NOTICE.

ESTATE OF SURGEON GENERAL WILLIAM McDONAGHY, DECEASED.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons CLAIMING against the Estate of WILLIAM McDONAGHY, deceased, late Surgeon-General in the Indian Medical Service, who died at 5, Granville Place, Portman Square, in the County of London, on the 3rd day of September, 1905, and Letters of Administration (with will annexed), of whose Estate having effect throughout the Province of Bombay were granted on the 20th day of March, 1906, to ROBERT WILLIAM LAYARD DUNLOP, of Bombay, Solicitor of No. 30, Esplanade Road, are hereby required to send in their Claims to the said Administrator at the office of the undersigned his Attorneys, within one calendar month from the date hereof, at the expiration of which time the said Administrator will hand over the assets to the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the Claims of which he shall then have notice.—Dated this 20th day of March 1906.

CRAWFORD, BROWN & Co.,
Administrator's Attorneys,
30, Esplanade Road, Bombay.

HIGH COURT.

TESTAMENTARY & INTESTATE JURISDICTION.
In the matter of the Estate of HENRY JAMES BENNETT HARGRAVE, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons claiming debts or liabilities affecting the Estate of the abovenamed HENRY JAMES BENNETT HARGRAVE, deceased, late retired Chief Engineer of the B. B. & C. I. Railway Company, formerly of 56 Upper Mount Street in the city of Dublin, and late of 18 Shrewsbury Road, Merrion, in the County of Dublin, who died at Matlock in the County of Derby, on or about the 3rd day of July, 1905, and Letters of Administration (with a copy of the will annexed) of whose estate having effect throughout the Province of Bombay were granted on the 17th day of March, 1906, to ADDISON ABRAHAM HARRIS, Esq., M.D., the Chief Medical Officer of the B. B. & C. I. Railway Company, at Bombay are hereby required to send in their Claims to the said Administrator at the Office of the undersigned his Attorneys within one calendar month from the date hereof at the expiration of which time the said Administrator will hand over the said assets to the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the Claims of which he shall then have notice. Dated this 20th day of March, 1906.

CRAWFORD, BROWN & CO.,
Attorneys for the Administrator,
30, Esplanade Road, BOMBAY.

PROCLAMATION.—BOMBAY to WIT.—

By virtue of a Precept to me directed, I hereby proclaim and give Notice, that the SECOND SESSIONS of 1906 of OYER and TERMINER, and GENERAL GAOL DELIVERY will be holden before the High Court of Judicature at Bombay, at the Court House, on WEDNESDAY, the 4th day of April, 1906, at 10-30 O'clock (Standard Time) in the forenoon, for the trial of all Treasons, Murders and other Felonies, Perjury, Trespasses and other Crimes, Misdemeanors and Offences had, done, or committed within the Town and Island of Bombay, and the Limits thereof, and the Factories subordinate thereto; and also to inquire, hear, and determine, in the like manner, all Treasons, Murders, Felonies, Forgeries, Perjuries, Crimes, Extortions, Misdemeanors, Offences, Wrongs, and Oppressions, had, done, or committed by any of His Majesty's British Subjects in any of the Territories which now are subject to, or dependent upon the Government of Bombay, or within any of the Dominions of the Native Princes of India in alliance with the said Government.

And also, that at the same time and place will be holden a Session of Admiralty, for the trial of all Treasons, Murders, Piracies, Robberies, Felonies, Misdemeanors, Offences and other Maritime Crimes whatsoever, done or committed on the High Seas.

And I hereby give notice to all persons bound to prosecute and give evidence at the above Sessions, or in any way concerned therein, that they are to attend at the time and place abovementioned, and not to depart without leave of the Court.

And I hereby give notice to all Justices of the Peace, Coroners, Escheators and also all Chief Constables and Bailiffs of the Town and Island of Bombay and the limits thereof, that they be then and there in their own persons, with their Rolls, Records, Indictments and other Remembrances to do those things which to their offices in that behalf appertain to be done.—Dated this 19th day of March, 1906.

MUNCHERJEE C. MURZBAN,
Sheriff of Bombay.

MUNICIPALITY OF BOMBAY.

NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay, upto 1 p m. (Standard Time), on WEDNESDAY, the 28th March, 1906, for the EXECUTION of the Works noted below:—

(a) Pointing the top of the wall and repairing the railing of the embankment at Hornby Vellard.

(b) Paving dustbin stands in different parts of the City.

2 Forms of Contract, Specification, &c., for the works can be had on payment of Rs. 5 each, from the Undersigned who will on application give any further information that may be required.

3 The Tenderers will have to lodge deposits with the Chief Accountant, in cash, or Public Securities, as follows:—

For work under item (a) ..... Rs. 400
Do do (b) ..... „ 500

4 The deposits will be forfeited in case of withdrawal of Tender or of refusal to sign the contract.

5 A further payment to make the total deposit equivalent to 10 per cent. on the contract amount, will have to be made by the Contractor whose Tender may be accepted.

6 The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lo west or any tender.

By order of the Municipal Commissioner,
JOSEPH HALL,
Executive Engineer.
Executive Engineer's Office, Bombay, 24th March, 1906.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATIONS.

TOWN HALL.
BOMBAY PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY'S CONCERT.

MONDAY, MARCH 26th at 9-30 P.M. (S. T.)

PROGRAMME.
PART I.

1 Trio .....O Happy Fair!" .....Shield
Messrs. EDGAR FAULKNER, G. C. THOMAS and G. F. HILL.

2. Air .....My Mother bids me bind my hair .....Haydn
Miss. G. BAKER.

3. Song .....Angels guard thee" .....Godard
Mr. G. E. THOMAS.

4 Pianoforte Solo ..."Nocturne" (Op. 37 No. 2) .....Chopin.
Miss. E. GROGAN.

5. Song .....Chanron de l'Adieu".....Tosti
Hon'ble Mr. SCOTT.

6 Air .....Purdicesti".....Lotti
Miss L. HAMMETT.

7. Song .....Tis jolly to hunt".....Sterndal-Bennett,
Mr. G. F. HILL.

PART II.

"John Gilpin".....A Cantata by Cowen
FULL CHOIR OF 60 VOICES.

Conductor.....Mr. EDGAR FAULKNER
Honr. Accompanist.....Miss E. GROGAN.

Tickets Rs. 3 and Rs. 2, Admission Re. 1.
Plan at Messrs S. ROSE & Co.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that Mr. BHIKHAJI JEEJEEBHOY SETHNA, of Shapur Zilla, Thana, has offered to dispose of the undermentioned properties at Shapur and Kalyan, Thana District. All persons having any CLAIMS to or upon the said property by way of Lease, Lien, Sale, Gift, Mortgage, Inheritance or otherwise howsoever, are HEREBY REQUIRED TO MAKE the same KNOWN in WRITING to the Undersigned at their Office, No. 18, Esplanade Road, next door to the National Bank of India, Limited, Fort, Bombay, within fourteen days from the date hereof, otherwise the same if any, will be considered to have been waived, and the property will be dealt without reference to such claims.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTIES.

KALYAN.—

(1). A Bungalow at Kalyan Sub-District of Kalyan of District Thana, Survey No. 137 Sub. No. 1 and land 0 34 1-4 Gunthas 50 feet long North to South by 35 feet wide East to West attached by a small flower garden and bounded as follows.—That is to say on the East by open land belonging to Bhikaji Jeejeebhoy Sethna, on the West by the attached flower garden and over it the land given to the Portuguese Church, on the North by open land of Shivlal Motilal and on the South by the Moorbad Road.

(2). A Chawl bearing Survey No. 157, Sub No. 1 Municipal No. 54, sixty-five feet long East to West by 20 feet wide, North to South and bounded on the East and West by open land belonging to Bhikhaji Jeejeebhoy Sethna, on the South by the Bungalow Compound and on the North by open land.

SHAPOOR.—

(1). In the Sub-District of Shapoor of District Thana, the land Survey Nos. 21-24, 28, Sub No. 1[1]1 acres 2-31 1-4 Goonthas, together with a building thereon used as an Abkari Depot, in Survey No. 21, Sub No. 1, in length 64 feet long East to West by 40 feet North to South bounded as follows: On the East by the attached compound and over it the Road going to the Country, on the West by an attached garden and over it the River, on the South by open land and over it the godown of a Rice Factory, and on the North by a house occupied by Serabji Jeejeebhoy.

(2). A dwelling house standing on Survey No. 22, Sub No. 1, 60 feet long North to South by 40 feet wide East to West bounded on the East by the open land of Krishna Kenu, on the West by a Road going to the country, on the North by a field belonging to Krishna Kenu, and on the South by the Agra Road.

(3). A Rice Factory standing on Survey No. 23 Sub No. 1, 140 feet long, East to West by 72 feet wide, North to South bounded on the East by the Agra Road, on the West by the open land belonging to Bhikhaji Jeejeebhoy Sethna, over it the River on the South by the Agra Road, and on the North by open land belonging to Bhikaji Jeejeebhoy Sethna and the small garden and over it the fields of the Durgas.

(4). A large garden in Kalbay Village of Shapoor in the District of Thana, bearing Survey No. 70 Sub, No. 1, about 15 acres, bounded on the East by the River, on the West by the boundary of Village Kalma and Papa Khatries fields, on the South by the open land of Village Kalma, and on the North by the fields of Krishnajee Punt and over it the Agra Road.

(5). A small Bungalow standing on Survey No. 70, Sub No. 1, 40 feet by 30 feet standing in the large garden therein above described.

(6). A Chawl standing on Survey No. 70 Sub No. 1 80 feet length and 40 feet in breadth standing in the large garden hereinabove described.—Dated this 20th day of March, 1905

PAYNE & CO.

THE CITY OF BOMBAY MUNICIPAL ACT, 1888, AS AMENDED BY THE CITY OF BOMBAY MUNICIPAL (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1905.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 237 (1) (b) of the City of Bombay Municipal Act, 1888, as amended by the City of Bombay Municipal (Amendment) Act, 1905, that the Undersigned proposes to apply to the Municipal Corporation at their FIRST ORDINARY MEETING to be held in the month of May, 1906, or on such day thereafter as the said application can conveniently be disposed of, for authority to prescribe fresh line, in substitution for the existing regular line of Parel Road at its junction with Babu Tank Road.

A plan of the said Public Streets showing the existing regular line of the Street, and the fresh line proposed to be prescribed in substitution therefore as aforesaid, is deposited at the office of the Executive Engineer, Municipality, and can be inspected by any person desiring to do so at any time during office hours.

Every person desirous of making any representation to the Corporation with or bringing before the Corporation any objection respecting the said proposal, may do so by letter addressed to the Municipal Secretary at the Municipal Office, and delivered at the said office not less than three clear days before the day of such meeting.—Dated this 20th day of March 1906.

W. D. SHEPPARD,
Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay.

NOTICE.

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Bank will be CLOSED from the 20th to the 27th Instant, both dates inclusive,

By Order of the Board,
ROBERT R. ROSS,
Manager.

Bombay, 17th March, 1906.

NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS are invited for SUPPLY of STORES to the School of Art and the Royal Art Workshops, during the year 1906-07 not later than the 26th instant. Forms of Tenders can be obtained from the Undersigned on any office day during the office hours. The Undersigned is not bound to accept any or the lowest tender.

CECIL L BURNS.
Principal.

Sir J. J. School of Art,
Bombay, 16th March, 1906.

BANK OF BOMBAY.

ALTERATION OF BANKING HOURS.

NOTICE is hereby given that on and after MONDAY, the 2nd April, 1906, the Bank will be OPEN for the transaction of BUSINESS on the usual business days at the following hours:—

WEEKDAYS (except Saturdays) from 11 A. M. until 4-30 P. M., Standard Time.
SATURDAYS from 11 a. m., until 2 p. m., Standard Time.

J. BEGBIE,
Secretary and Treasurer.

22nd December, 1905.

TENDERS are invited for the SUPPLY of 50,000 NEW SOUTH WALES HARDWOOD SLEEPERS, for the North Western Railway, 9 feet by 10 inches by 5 inches. Delivery to begin by 1st June, 1906, and to be completed by 30th September, 1906. Tenders may be for the whole or for any part of the contract. The only hardwoods that will be accepted are as follows:—

Iron Bark, Grey Gum, Tallow-wood, White Stringy bark, White or Grey Box, Blackbutt.

Tenders should state the proportion per cent. of each kind of sleeper offered and an average rate for the whole quantity. Also a price for each kind, of sleeper in case it is desired to vary the proportions, which should approximately agree with those recommended by Mr. Adam.

The sleepers must all be Government inspected, and marked true to name, with a distinctive colour mark on each sleeper to admit of sorting. Prices to be quoted for delivery at Karachi, Ex. Ships Slings and O F L.

Tenders will be opened at the Engineer-in-Chief's Office, North Western Railway, Lahore, at noon on the 9th April 1906.

Each Tender should be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 500 as earnest money and the cover should be subscribed "Tender for New South Wales Sleepers".

For specification and further particulars required apply to—

The ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF,
North Western Railway,
Lahore.

FOR SALE—OLD MAGAZINES of various dates, Macmillan's, The National Review, Calcutta Review, &c. &c. Apply C C, care of "Bombay Gazette."

PUBLIC NOTIFICATIONS.

EMPIRE OF INDIA LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the NINTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of this Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 11, Elphinstone Circle, Fort, on THURSDAY, the 5th April, 1906, at 2-30 P. M. (S. T.)

By Order of the Board of Directors,
E. F. ALLUM,
General Manager.

Bombay, 13th March, 1906.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that THACKER KESSOWJI DAMJEE, has contracted TO SELL absolutely to our clients the property here under described. All persons having any claim thereto by way of inheritance, mortgage, charge, gift, lease, lien or otherwise are required to make the same known in writing to the Undersigned at their Office, No. 23, Esplanade Road, within fourteen days from the date hereof otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to any such claim and the same (if any) will be deemed to have been waived.

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of Leasehold land situated on the Elphinston Estate in the Island of Bombay, in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, on the North side of Kallian Street, containing by admeasurement 2123-3-9 square yards, and bounded as follows:—That is to say on or towards the North by the property of Muthurfias Ramdas, on or towards the South by the said Kallian Street, on or towards the East by the property of Virji Dossa, and on or towards the West partly by the vacant land belonging to the said Trustees and partly by land leased to Damodar Khimji, and which said premises are Assessed by the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 3186, and Assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under B, Ward Nos. 5179, 5180, 5181 and 5182, and Street Nos. 17, 19, 21 and 23, which premises are now and for some time past have been in the occupation of the tenants of the said Thacker Kessowji Damji.—Dated this 20th day of March, 1905.

JEHANGIR & SEERVAI,
Purchasers' Attorneys.

SALES BY AUCTION.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY,
NO. 7, MARINE STREET.

AUCTION SALE OF ALUMINIUM UTENSILS.

Under instructions from the Honorary Secretary, Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute, Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will, on FRIDAY, the 23rd instant at 2 p.m. sell by Public Auction at their Rooms, a large lot of hand and machine-made Aluminium utensils of best make and finish consisting of:—

Chatties with covers, dessert, dinner and soup plates, finger bowls, tumblers, fryingpans, lotas, pie-dishes, plain eating trays, butter dishes, cups and saucers, kaloras, curry dishes, lagrees, soup ladles, egg steamers, sauce pans with cover which can be used as frying pans, tiffin carriers, native type chatties, kettles, etc. of various sizes.

The above will be sold in lots to suit purchasers and is on view.

On SUNDAY, the 25th instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Sopari Bag Road, Parel, opposite the Parel Co-operative Stores, the very valuable and neat French-polished teakwood and blackwood dining-room, drawing-room, office and bed-room furniture, also home-made furniture designed and made by the owner, sweet-toned cottage piano by Seymour Dove, church organ, gent's English bicycles, rich glassware and crockery ware, best plated ware, cloth table ornaments, fretwork machine, rubber-tyred victoria, grey Arab horse and harness etc., the property of H. Trimmings, Esq.

Catalogues will be published and the property is on view three days before the sale.

On TUESDAY, the 27th Instant at 2 P. M. Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction on the second floor in Dhun Building opposite Sargent House on Apollo Bunder valuable and neat latest design teakwood and blackwood household furniture, drawing room, suite of settee and chairs lined velvet, cabinets, marbel top tables, roll top table, corner, cabinet, dining table, sideboard, almira, bedsteads, dressing and wash hand tables, Hinks' and Dimar's hanging and table lamps, carpets, Solomia pedestals, table ornaments, square, piano by Schiedmayer and Soehne in good order icebox, glass fish bowl, Singers hand sewing machine, perambulator, electric fan with battery, microscope, standard oil stoves pictures, glassware, crockery, plated ware etc the property of M. LESLIE Esq.

Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view three days before the sale.

AUCTION SALE OF OFFICE FURNITURE.

Under instructions from N. C. Macleod, Esq., Official Assignee and Assignee of the estate of Rawjee Vishnoo Soman, an insolvent, Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co will sell by Public Auction at their rooms, on WEDNESDAY, the 4th Proximo at 4 p.m., all the right, title and interest of the insolvent in the under noted lands—

A piece of land bearing survey No 12 measuring 13 acres and is guarded by a wall and having 600 lemon trees. Also two thatched huts for stabling animals.

As also the interest of the insolvent in 5 pieces of lands mortgaged to him in considerations of sums advanced, by different persons.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the undersigned.

CRAWFORD & CO.

Bombay, 21st March, 1906.

BENNETT AND COMPANY.
No. 22, APOLLO STREET.

THE SALE of landed properties at Lohar Chawl, Shaikh Memon Street, Colbhat Road, Bhendy Bazar Road, Parel, Mahim and Momoowala Road, advertised to take place to-morrow is POSTPONED, until further notice.

ON SATURDAY, the 24th instant, at 3-30 p m, Messrs. BENNETT and Co., will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods, &c.

AT 2 P.M,

A handsome strong glass fronted miniature brougham, in very good order.

1 handsome strong second hand victoria, in good order.

1 handsome strong palanquin office shigram, in very good order.

1 handsome strong victoria with a handsome strong grey arab horse and a set of single harness.

1 Bay Arab quiet in harness and saddle.

1 grey pony, quiet in harness.

BONA FIDE SALE.

Under instructions from the Executors of the late Mr. W. J. Anderson, Messrs BENNETT & Co. will, on SUNDAY, the 25th instant at 2 p m sell by Public Auction at Dadar opposite the Police Station, the valuable and handsome teak-wood and blackwood plain and carved household furniture, rich glass and crockeryware, best plated ware, drawing rooms suites, drawing room cabinets, glass door almyrahs, handsome wardrobes and table ornaments, handsome sweet-toned Cottage piano by Monish marble top dressing and wash-hand tables brass and iron single and double bedsteads Hinks's and Dimar's cabin and hanging lamps rich carpets &c. &c.

Catalogues will be published and the property is on view.

BENNETT & CO.

Bombay, 21st March, 1906.

SPECIAL SHORT ADVTS.

Only Advertisements for Clerks, Servants, &c. Houses to Let, and Goods for Sale or Wanted, are accepted in this Column.

RATES.—(Cash only) Three lines, per insertion, One Rupee. Every additional line, Eight Annas. REPLIES will be sent "BEARING" unless amount to cover Postage is previously paid.

"CLARESQUE" PLATE POWDER,—Produces a polish like new on Jewellery, Silver Goods Plate and Clear Metals. Guaranteed free from Mercury. Trial Samples gratis on application. Per tin Annas 12, per dozen Rs. 8. We recommend it.—MARKS and Co., Ltd., Bombay and Poona.

MAHABLESHWAR DAK.—1st Class PHAETONS and TONGA DAKS ready laid between Wathar and Mahableshwar, also Phaeton Daks from Poona to Mahableshwar direct by the old route at Moderate Rates.—BURJORJEE PEROSHAW, Diplomaed Dak supplier to H. E. The Governor and the Lieut-General Western Command.

MAHABLESHWAR DAK.—TONGAS and PHAETONS for Wathar, Panchgani, Mahableshwar, available at Moderate Rates. Apply BAPOO SHERKER, Head Office, Wai.

BARGAINS.—Just unpacked a large consignment of selected GENUINE OIL PAINTINGS in massive Gold Frames. Inspection invited.—M. BRESLAUER & Co., Church Gate Street.

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WANTED a PARSI CASHIER good and fast writer only need apply to Box No. 523 M, Advt. Dept. "Bombay Gazette". Stating salary required and testimonials of previous experience.

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PRINCE OF WALES HOTEL, Elphinstone Circle opposite the Town Hall. Further extensions and renovations. Rooms airy and commodious with bath rooms attached to each. Rates from Rs. 8-8-0 to Rs. 4-0-0 per day. Special arrangements for monthly boarders and families making a prolonged stay. Cuisine a speciality.—Apply to the MANAGER.

RAILWAY HOTEL, Bombay, Grant Road, near Moos Buildings. Give it a trial and you will never regret your visit. Board and Residence, Rs. 2 and 3 per day. Very large rooms for permanent residents. Splendid Bars. Bread new Billiard Tables. Dinner Rs. 1-4-0; Tiffin, Re 1-0-0; Breakfast As. 12. Dinners served till late hours.

ONE of the Sights of Bombay.—RAJA DEEN DAYAL'S ART PHOTOGRAPHIC SALOON replete with everything that Oriental luxury and Artistic taste can suggest and Visitors will not regret an inspection of their High Class Portraiture, Artistic Paintings and Enlargements, and Indian Views of places of Special Interest. Portrait Paintings in oil on Photographic Basis a speciality. Hydraulic Lift available. Tata's Nippon Buildings. Top Floor, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay.

WONDER! Machine in perfect use for 22 years, Singer's Hand Machine, valued Rs.30, which is in use in my house for past 22 years has given me every satisfaction and I recommend it to any one requiring a good substantial and easy going Machine.—S. D. Nadkarni Hyderabad Deccan.

FINEST VERY OLD SCOTCH WHISKEY from DANIEL CRAWFORD, 81, Queen's Street Glasgow This rare old Whiskey may be had from Messrs FINLAY MUIR & Co, Bombay.

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THE WELLINGTON MEWS AUCTION.

THE FIFTH AUCTION SALE of HORSES and CARRIAGES will take place at the MEWS, Wodehouse Road, Bombay, TO-DAY, WEDNESDAY, 21st March, 1906, commencing at 4 P.M., sharp, Standard Time :—

BAY WALER GELDING.
(The property of a Firm.)

Lot 1.—Dark Bay Aust. Gelding, about 14-1 1-2 in height, aged, thoroughly quiet in all harness daily driven in a Shigram, very hardworking.

DARK BAY C. B. ENTIRE.
(The property of a Gentleman gone to South Africa.)

Lot. 2.—Dk. Bay C. B. entire, rising 4, 14-1 in height, trained to stick and ball, a good mover and very fast, carries a lady.

GREY AUST. GELDING.
(The property of a Gentleman gone to Europe)

Lot 3.—Flea-bitten Grey Aust. Geld, 7 yrs. 14- 2 1-2 in height, holds an L. G. A. Certificate for life, good in both saddles and broken to harness, and has been hunted.

BAY C. B. MARE.

Lot 4.—A Bay C. B. Mare, 6 yrs, 14- 1 1-2 very well bred, very fast, has been hunted and partially broken to harness.

GREY C. B. GELD.

Lot 5.—A Grey C. B. Geld 6 yrs. 14-3 1-2, a good hunter and pig-sticker, broken to both saddles, very handsome and has won prizes at Horse Show.

BAY AUST. GELDING.
(On another account.)

Lot 6.—A Bay Aust. Geld. 6 yrs. 14-1. up to any weight, magnificent stepper in harness very fast.

DARK CHEST AUST GELD.
(On account and at the risk of H. H. The Maharajah of Rewa)

Lot 7.—Electric Dk Chest Aust Geld, 6 years 14-2 in height, sandfile mouth very fast trotter. broken to saddle and partially to harness up to 14 St. would make a good polo pony.

CH. AUST. GELD.

Lot 8.—A Chest. Aust. Geld., 5 years 15-2, up to great weight, broken to single and double harness.

BAY AUST. GELD.
(Property of a Lady.)

Lot 9.—Bay Aust. Geld, aged 15-1 1-2, quiet in single harness, very hard working animal, sold for no fault.
A set of silver mounted harness by Dunett & Co. to fit the above.

BAY C-B MARE.
(Property of a Gentleman proceeding to Europe.)

Lot 10.—A very handsome Bay C.-B Mare, 6 years, 14-3-2, took Championship prize at Ahmednager Horse Show in 1903, and first prize of her class same year, hunted with Bo. hounds for two seasons, 1904-1905-1903.

CH. ENGLISH PONY.

Lot. 11.—Hilliary A Ch. English pony, 14. 0 1-2, 7 yrs, up to great weight, quiet in saddle, regularly ridden by a lady last season in London, has also carried children and was regularly hunted with East Sussex hounds, was bought at Tattersal's as a good polo pony.

BAY AUST MARE,
(Property of a Gentleman).

Lot. 12.—A well-bred Bay Aust. Mare, 6 years, 15s 1 1-2, being sold as she is not up to owner's weight, quiet and fast in harness.

DARK BAY C-B. ENTIRE.
(Property of Sir Dinshaw Petit Bart. proceeding to Europe).

Lot 13 14.—A pair of Bay Aust. regularly driven together in harness.

A PAIR OF BAY ARABS.
(Property of Dhunjibhoy Bomanji proceeding to Europe.)

Lot 15-16.—A pair of Bay Arabs, 6 yrs, old, and about 14-1.

BAY AUST. GELD.
(Property of a Gentleman.)

Lot 17.—Bay Aust. Geld. 6 years, 15-2, black points broken to saddle and harness working every. being sold as he is not stylish enough for the present owner.

BAY AUST. MARE.
(Property of Maj. Osborne, R. G. A.)

Lot, 18.—A Bay Aust Mare about 7 years, 15 Hands good worker in both saddle and harness, sold for no fault,

GR. ARAB. GELD.
(Property of Herbert Atkinson, Esq).

Lot 19—Snow a Grey Arab, Geld, 7 years, 14 Hands, good in saddle and harness only being sold as owner is proceeding to Europe. Recommended.

GR. ARAB. ENTIRE.
(Property of Mr. Muthradadas Goculdas)

Lot 20.—A very handsome, high caste Arab, 6 years, about 14 Hands.

CH. AUST. GELD.

Lot 21.—A thorough bred Aust. Geld, by Gold 7 yrs. 15-2, absolutely sound, quiet and steady with easy paces, would suit a lady, was ridden in all the processions during Royal Visit, and a perfect, charger and good hunter, strongly recommended.

BAY AUST. MARE.
(Property of an officer, gone to South Africa.)

Lot 22.—A Bay Aust. Mare, 7 yrs., 15 hands by Ranwick by the Drummer dam by Gozo grand dam by the Works by Firework, broken to saddle and harness, has carried a lady, it makes shape and action goes for anything, she is a race horse.

CH. ARAB. ENTIRE.

Lot 23.—Daylight Chest Arab Entire, 6 off, 14-2, good in both saddles, very showy and fast in harness, thoroughly reliable, trained for pole by 33rd Cavalry.

CARRIAGES.

ENGLISH VICTORIA.
(Property of Sir Dinshaw Petit, Bart.)

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(On another account.)

Lot 2.—A very stylish, Vis-a-Vis rubber-tyred Coupe wheels, by Windower, cost originally 3,000.

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steamer Clan Leslie, 2493 tons, Captain A S Gladstone, sailed yesterday for Madras, in ballast.

THE steamer Glenlyon, 2654 tons, Captain W Gibb, will sail to-day for Kobe, &c, with a general cargo.

THE steamer Foyle, 2650 tons, Captain F Johnson, arrived in harbour yesterday, from Calcutta with a cargo of coal.

THE steamer Lena 2879 tons Captain H G Hall, arrived in Bombay harbour yesterday from Calcutta, with a cargo of coal.

THE B and P S N Co's steamer Monsoori, 1735 tons, Captain J Hannah, will sail to-morrow for Jedah with passengers and general cargo.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Sirdhana, 9074 tons, Captain H Mande arrived in harbour yesterday, from Calcutta via Coast ports with general cargo

THE B I S N Co's steamer Nowshera 1901 tons, Captain J Farquharson arrived in harbour on Monday evening from the Persian Gulf via Karachi with a general cargo 6 cases opium and passengers

THE Asiatic S N Co's steamer Nizam, 2041 tons, Captain T W Corkhill, arrived in Bombay harbour on the 19th instant from Calcutta via coast ports and Ceylon, with a general cargo and deck passengers.

ARRIVALS.

Mar.	Vessel.	Commander.	From
19	Umvolosi s	Hedley	Natal, Feb 18
	Tokio s	Jarn	Hull, Feb 11
	Nizam s	Corkhill	Calcutta, Feb 14
	Zillah s	Rees	Calcutta, Mar 8
	Nowshera s	Farquharson	Bushire, Mar 8
20	Foyle s	Johnson	Calcutta, Mar 7
	Sirdhana s	Mantle	Calcutta, Mar 5
20	Lena s	Hall	Calcutta, March 8
	Colaba s	Robertson	Middlesbro, Jan 26
	Cy of Manchester	Findlay	Live p ol, Feb 23

DEPARTURES.

Mar.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
20	Marienfels s	Zittlosen	Hamburg, &c
	Romford s	Scott	Mormugoa
	Ceylon s	Lockstone	Shanghai, &c
	Lama s	Williams	Karachi, &c
	Clan Leslie s	Gladstone	Madras

The following vessels obtained their portclearances yesterday :—
Steamer Montoori Hannah, for Jeddah
" Glenlyon, Gibb for Kobe, &c

The following vessels began to load yesterday :—
Steamer Nizam, for Calcutta, &c
" Nowshera, for Persian Gulf
" Tokio, for Hull
" Colaba for Antwerp, &c
" Australien, for Marseilles

CALCUTTA.
ARRIVALS.

Mar.	Vessels.	Names.	From
17	Arafoon Apear	E Fey	Hongkong
	Breconshire	G E Elliot	Singapore
	Lord Kelvin	J U Beckerleg	Singapore
	Shahjehan	G F Elliot	Rangoon
	Sevilla	J B Rod	Delagoa Bay
	Gutenfels	P Liedrichsen	Bombay

DEPARTURES.

18	Goa	S Maclachlan	Chittagong
	Silesia	L de Stabile	Moulmein
	Orissa	F G Cunningham	Bombay
	Barbarigo	A Giacopello	A Ports
	Imogen	J Ward	Boston
	Bangala	J R P Alexander	Rangoon
19	Nam Sang	G Payne	Hongkong
	Barcoora	C E Emmett	Bombay
	Fazilka	J Wilson	Fiji

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Macalister, arrived at Suez from Colombo, Madras and Calcutta on the morning of the 18th instant.

The B I S N Co's steamer Matiana, left London on the evening of 17th instant.

The P and O steamer Simla, arrived at Suez from Colombo on the evening of the 17th instant.

The P and O steamer Borneo, arrived in London on the evening of the 18th instant.

The P and O steamer Britannia, arrived at Plymouth on the morning of the 17th instant.

The P and O steamer Meldavia, arrived at Suez from Colombo on the afternoon of the 18th instant.

The Anchor Line steamer Scindia, homeward bound, passed Aden at 4-25 p.m on Monday the 19th instant.

The Austrian Lloyd's steamer Persia, left Kobe for Bombay on the 20th instant.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m. yesterday, give the following results :—

Wards.	Plague Attacks.	Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	8	6	11
B Mandvi, Chakla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri	27	23	65
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	32	24	42
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahalaxmi	7	6	14
E Masagon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagpada, Kamathipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	25	24	65
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	5	5	20
G Mahim and Worli	6	4	18
Water Division	0	0	1
Non-Resident and Unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	9	25
Total	110	107	264
Total plague deaths to date	306,905	22,632,022	
Same date last year	99	92	202

SMALL-POX.

Attacks	Deaths
17	5

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

LONDON, MARCH 19.

SECURITIES—			
2 1-2 per cent. Consols	90 1-2	=	+ 1-16
2 do. Rentes	99 1-4 ex	=	unchanged
3 1-2 do. Indian Sterling Loan	105 3-4	=	do
3 1-2 per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	86 5-16	=	+ 1-16
SILVER—			
Spot in London	30	=	— 1-16
2 months hence	29 1-2	=	— 1-8
Spot in New York			
EXCHANGES—			
Paris cheques	25·13	=	— 1-2
Berlin	20·43	=	+ 1-4
New York Demand		=	
DISCOUNTS—			
Bank of England	4	per cent	= unchanged
3 months sight Bank Bills	3 1-2	do	= — 1-8
6 " " Fine Trade	3 1-8	do	= unchanged
3 " " Fine Trade Bills	3 7-8	do	= do
6 months sight Fine Trade Bills	3 7-8	do	= do
INTEREST—			
Day to day loans	3 1-4	do	= — 1-4
7 day market loans	3 5-8	do	= unchanged

Amount paid into the Bank of England about £350,000.

RUBBER—
Para Rubber 5 5 done
WHEAT—Dull
Afloat for U K 3,980,000
RAPESEED—
Yellow Cawapore 41 1-4 A-M value quiet but steady
Brown 39 1-2 + 1-4 A-M sellers quiet but steady
LINSEED—
Linseed Bold 44 1-2 + 1-8 A-M sellers steady
ARRIVALS—
Steamers—Ville de Tamatave, St. Régulus, Begonia, Schazfels, Othello and Canazie.

In Liverpool.—Cotton Market closed firm and active. East Indian dull. Manchester steady. Total Sales 14,000. Spot 5·90 plus 6. Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 9 5-16. Sold on speculation and for Export 2,000. Imports 13,000. Futures closed firm.

Mar.-Apl.	Apl.-May	May-June
5·79	5·76	5·78
+8	+8	+8
June-July	July-Aug.	Aug-Sept.
5·80	5·81	5·79
+8	+8	+8
Sep-Oct.	Oct-Nov.	Nov-Dec.
5·64	5·39	5·38
+8	+8	+8

Receipts at U S Ports	14,000
Do last year	43,000
Exports to Great Britain	23,000
Do. do Continent	2,000

IN NEW YORK—
Spot 11·40 + 15
Futures, month of March 10·56 + 13 a
Do do. July 10·83 + 12 a
Tons at close barely steady
IN NEW ORLEANS—
Spot 10 3-4 + 1-8
Futures, month of May 10·55 + 9
Do. do. July 11·00 + 8
Demand Bills New York, 483 7-4 unchanged
Silver Sept in New York, 65 unchanged.

a Advanced owing to firm cables and to decreasing stocks.

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay for the 24 hours, ending at 6 p. m. on Monday, 16th March 1906 :—

Cotton	19,959 bales.
Wheat	7,472 cwts.
Linseed	7,130 do
Rape, Rai and Mustard	535 do
Gingellyseed	5,108 do
Poppyseed	113 do
Groundnut	504 do
Castorseed	2,033 do
Rice	139,217 do
Myrabollams	2,659 do
Cottonseed	7,798 do
Mowraseed	11 do
Gram	10,500 do
Jowar	4,574 do
Maize	nil

BOMBAY, MARCH 20.

EXCHANGE.—Tone quiet.
Bank T. T. 1s 4d
Bank Demand 1s 4d
Credit Bills 3 Months Sight D.A. 1s 4 7-32d.
Do. 6 do. do. ... 1s 4 3 5-1d.
French Francs 3 do. do. ... 199 3-4
Marks 3 do. do. ... 123 3-4
Hongkong 30 Days Sight ... 149 1-4
Shanghai 30 do ... 208
Japan 30 do. ... 149 1-2
GOVERNMENT PAPER.—3 1/2 per cent. Tone steady.
Cash ... ... 99·7
1st Settlement, 30th March 99·7
Money Market, Tone steady.
BANK RATE—
Bank of England since 28th Sept. 4 per cent.
Bank of Bombay do. 15th March 8 do.
Bank of Bengal do. 15th " 8 do.
Bank of Madras do. 16th Jan. 8 do.

SEEDS.

	Rs.	a.	p.
LINSEED—Tone steady.			
Ready	7	15	0
Forward April-May	8	5	0
RAPESEED,—Tone dull.			
Brown Cawnpore April-May	6	12	0
Yellow Cawpore do	7	2	0
Yellow Guzerat do	7	5	0
POPPYSEED—Tone steady.			
Ready	7	14	0
Forward April-May	8	0	0
CASTORSEED—Tone steady.			
Ready	34	8	0
GINGELLYSEED—Tone steady.			
Khandeish	47	0	0
15 per cent. Mixed	46	8	0
Black Kutnee	41	8	0
WHEAT—Tone dull.			
White Delhi April-May	4	14	6

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone	quiet		
Estimated sales	12,000 Bales		
Imports	34,000		
Mar.-April	April-May	May-June.	
5·74	5·75	5·77	
—1	—1	—1	
June-July	July-Aug	Aug.-Sept.	
5·79	5·80	5·75	
—1	—1	—1	
Sept.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.	
5·63	5·58	5·57	
—1	—1	—1	

COTTON.—The market remains firm and is chiefly concerned in the settlement of Broach contracts. For other business there is little doing at Colaba.

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited :—

	Fine.	F.-G.	Good	Dely.
Bengal, H. G. (Ry. terms)	...191	183 ...		Ready.
Bengals(M.-G.)Ry. terms...	...196	186 ...		do.
Sind-Punjab (M. G.) ...	... 195	185 ...		do.
Oomrawuttee (descriptions)	M.-G. 213	207 ...		do.
Khandeish (M.-G.) ...	... 209	203 ...		do.
Jalgaum (M.-G.) ...	... 211	204 ...		do.
Khundwa (M.-G.) ...	... ...	208 ...		do.
Khanggaum, fair staple (M.-G.)				
Karanja do. (M.-G)	213	207...		do.
Akola do. (M.-G.)				
Dhamangaum Poolgaum (M.-G.)	220	214 ...		do.
Nagpur Kamptee (M.-G.)	... 223	220 ...		do.
Broach (M.-G.) ...	... 270	263	252	do.
Yeotmal (M.-G.) ...	... 222	213 ...		do.
Mustia (M.-G.)	... 203	199 ...		do.
Dharwar (S.-G.)	... ...	... 225		25. May
Westerns	... ...	... 234		do.

THE WEATHER.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON TUESDAY, THE 20TH MARCH.

SUMMARY.

Pressure changes have been irregular showing a brisk rise at Jacobabad, Agra, Cawnpore, Allahabad, Jubbulpore, Masulipatam and Coimbatore and a small rise or fall elsewhere.

Winds in Sind exhibit a tendency to cyclonic circulation, while calms and variable breezes prevail over the rest of the country. The force has been fresh to light.

Temperature.—Both maximum and minimum is in large defect of normal in several places. The highest temperature in the shade was 103° at Cuddapah and the lowest 53° at Jubbulpore.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is cloudy to overcast at most places.

Rain in light showers fell at Jacobabad and Masulipatam and Colombo reports a few drops.

Weather continues fine, but skies remain more or less cloudy in Sind, Rajputana, Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India.

N. LESLIE,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

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BOMBAY.

DEATH.

WASLEKAR—March 20, at Charai Road, Bombay, of Diabetes and Chronic Bright's disease, Sitaram Dhackji Waslekar, J. P., Government Pensioner, aged 72.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

MARRIAGE.

HUTCHINSON—COLTART—March 15, at St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, by the Rev Canon Luckman, Charles Alexander Walter, only son of the late Charles Weber Hutchinson, Postmaster-General, Madras, and Kathleen, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs Coltart of Epsom, England.

DEATH.

SHIREFF—March 8, at sea between Colombo and Aden, William Shireff, Indigo Planter, late of the Jeradahi Sinduri Concerns, aged 39 years and 6 months.

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TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 6h. 4m. Sun sets, 6h. 11m. High water, 9-6m., 10-2a. Low water, 3-24m., 3-4a.
Bombay Light Horse, Annual Inspection, Santa Cruz, morning.
Bank Holiday.
Jamshedi Nowroz Festival.
Gokaldas Tejpal Hospital Nursing Association, annual meeting, 3 p. m.
Bombay High School's Athletic Association, annual Sports, Maidan, 4 p. m.
Lord Reay Lecture, F. D. Petit Laboratory, Grant Medical College, 5 p.m.
Half yearly Boxing Tournament, Royal Scots, Colaba Gymnasium, 9 p. m.
The London Ladies' Trio, Concert, Taj Mahal Hotel, 9-30 p. m.

THE LONDON LADIES' TRIO CONCERT.—This evening the concert to be given by the London Ladies Trio will be at 9-30 p.m., at the Taj Mahal Hotel, and not at the Town Hall as previously notified.

POSTAL NOTICE.—A mail for Egypt and Europe consisting of letters and packets specially marked for transmission per Messageries Maritimes s. s. Australien will be made up at the Bombay General Post Office for despatch to destination at 7 a.m., to-morrow, Thursday. Letters, &c., for Aden will also be despatched by this steamer.

FATAL ACCIDENT TO A LABOURER.—On Monday afternoon, in a shop at Mandvi Bunder, a labourer named Topan Heerjee was engaged in removing bags of grain, when a bag fell out from the stack on his head, fracturing his spine. He was removed to the Gokaldas Hospital, where he died from the effects of the injuries he had received.

MUSIC AT THE APOLLO RESTAURANT.—The Victoria String Band will play the following programme of music at the Pyrke's Apollo Restaurant between 7 and 10 p. m. to-day.

March	Light of Food ... C Latam
Overture	Le Trompette ... F Bazin
Valse	Les Baiser ... A Margis
Barn Dance	Dusky Dicah ... F Brockett
Selection	The Messenger Boy ... Godfrey
Polka	Honey Moon ... Thiere
Valse	Symphia ... Holzmann
Cake Walk	Mumblin Moss ... Thurban

MUSIC AT THE VICTORIA GARDENS.—By kind permission of Lieut.-Col. G. S. Hogge and Officers, the Band of the 113th Infantry, will play the following programme of music at the Victoria Gardens under the direction of Mr. H.W. Toner to-day commencing at 6 p.m.

March	Dreamy Eyes ... Lampe
Overture	French Comedy ... Keler Bela
Selection	Iolanthe ... Winterbot tom
Valse	Santiago ... A Corbin
Scena Ei Aria	L'Assedio Di Aileen ... Verdi
A Dream Picture	The Phantom Bride ... W H Myddleton

STRING BAND AT THE BOMBAY GYMKHANA.—By kind permission of Lieut.-Col. S J. Sarjant, V.D. and Officers of the 1st Battalion, G. I. P. Railway Vols. String Band will play the following programme of music, under the direction of Mr. A. Mallandaine, Band Master, commencing at 6 p.m. to-day.

A Dusky Characteristic	Kunnin Kaffirs ... Rubens
An Oriental Scene	A Dervish Chorus ... Schik
Selection	Veronique ... Messager
Valse	Tout Passe ... Gichera
Selection	The Girl from Kays ... Caryll
Potpourri	Ein Musikalischer Witzbold ... Reiner

FATAL ACCIDENT TO AN OLD WOMAN.—Mr. P. Byrne, the Coroner, held an inquest at the Jamsetjee Hospital yesterday, touching the death of Vithabai, a Hindu woman aged sixty-five. On the night of the 15th instant, the deceased was going along Suklaje Street towards Grant Road, when she was knocked down by hack Victoria No. 981, driven by one Noora Ibrahim. She was picked up in an unconscious state, and was removed to the Jamsetjee Hospital, where she died yesterday. The evidence shewed that the victoria was driven on the proper side of the road, and that the driver had called out to the deceased, but she took no heed of the warning. A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

A BUILDER'S MISERY IN TROUBLE.—On Monday afternoon, a number of coolies were demolishing an old house in Satta Gully, Sheik Memon Street, when a large wooden beam, which was being removed from the outer wall on the second storey, fell outward on to the street below. Two men, who were passing along the lane at the time, were knocked down. One of them sustained a fracture of his leg, and the other received injuries on his back and leg. No precautions had been taken to prevent the debris falling on to the road by Sulleman Noormahomed, a mistry, under whose orders the coolies had been working. He has been arrested by the police for omitting to guard against probable danger to human life.

A BUNDLE OF CURRENCY NOTES MISSED.—On Monday afternoon, Waljee Hirjee, a railway contractor, cashed a cheque for Rs. 14,134 in the Bank of Bombay, and received fourteen currency notes for Rs. 1,000 each, and the balance in small notes and cash. He then rolled up the notes, put them in the outer pocket of his coat, and stood on the road near the Bank, waiting for a tram car. After getting into a tram car, he felt his pocket and found the bundle of notes apparently safe. On getting out of the car at the Crawford Market, he proceeded on foot to his place of business at Khand Bazaar, where on counting the notes, he missed eight notes for Rs. 1,000 each. He at once hurried over to the Bank, and obtained the numbers of the missing notes. These have been notified to the local Banks and a report has been made to the police.

MOTORISTS IN TROUBLE.

CONVICTED OF RASH DRIVING.

At the Esplanade Police Court yesterday afternoon, Mr. Kursondass Chabildass, third Presidency Magistrate, disposed of the case in which, Superintendent Stanford charged Mr. H. C. Bayne of Messrs. Hill, Sawyer and Co. with driving his motor car in a rash and negligent manner along Queen's Road on the 3rd of February last.

Mr. N. N. Saher Barrister-at-Law appeared on behalf of the defence.

Major H. H. Butler, Royal Field Artillery, deposed that he was on the date in question driving in the motor car with the accused. They started from Church Gate Street at a speed of four miles an hour. This speed was gradually increased to 20 miles an hour ere they reached Church Gate Station, after which the same speed was continued for a quarter of a mile when it was reduced owing to their having met some carriages ahead. When the accident occurred the speed was 15 miles an hour. The defendant had sounded the horn and after passing the last victoria in the line of carriages, the course appeared to be clear. To avoid a collision, the car was turned towards the right, but had not passed the middle of the road. Suddenly a native was seen rushing across the road and before anything could be done, he was lifted on to the right mud-guard and carried some distance before he fell off and sustained some injuries.

Witness, in cross-examination stated that the speed of the car was not 25 miles an hour after they had left Church Gate Station; but it was 20 miles, and reduced to 15 miles after they had proceeded a quarter of a mile.

Mr. Saher addressed the Court at great length.

His Worship in summing up remarked that the accused, on the evidence on record, was guilty of the offence, and in convicting him sentenced him to one day's simple imprisonment and ordered him in addition to pay a fine of Rs. 200. Fifty rupees of the fine, in recovered, were ordered to be paid to the injured man as compensation, and the Magistrate further suspended accused's license to drive a Motor Car.

MOTOR CYCLE ACCIDENT.

At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. Kursondas Chabildas, Inspector Bodley charged K. B. Patel, and C. M. Javeri both Parsees, with driving a motor tandem cycle in a rash and negligent manner, with not pulling up on seeing a horse restive and likely to bolt and with driving an unregistered motor vehicle. M. B. J. Dhondi, pleader, appeared on behalf of the accused. The evidence showed that on the evening of the 10th instant Mr. Pestonji Aredeshir Hormenji, his wife and son were being driven in a victoria from the direction of the Bandstand and whilst nearing the Church Gate Station, the two accused rode up at a high speed on a tandem cycle. The horses took fright on hearing the noise of the cycle as it came up from behind; The accused continued their journey and passed the ghaary nearly touching the horses. They raised their hands and yelled with delight as they overtook the ghaary. The horses bolted and in attempting to pull up the reins broke and the horses bolted. The ghaary was dragged into the gutter and the occupants were thrown off. The accused did not stop but disappeared and were subsequently traced by Inspector Bodley. The first accused stated that there was a number on the car and never noticed the accident and the second stated that he was sitting beind the first accused who drove the cycle. In disposing of the case the Magistrate acquitted the second accused as he considered that he was not responsible for driving the cycle. He however considered that his conduct was disgraceful in as much as he yelled with delight when he saw the complainant and his family in the sad plight in which they were placed. His Worship convicted the first accused of not pulling up the cycle on seeing the horses restive and fined him Rs. 50 and ordered that his license be suspended for six months.

A CASE WITHDRAWN.

Inspector Bodley then charged Mr. J. A. Kirkbride of Kirkbride and Co., before the same Magistrate, with letting out a motor tandem cycle (the subject matter of the last case) without a number. Mr. Rustom D.N. Wadia, Barrister-at-Law, defended the accused.

Mr. Bodley stated that Mr. Kirkbride had no general number, but had only a special number, namely 68.

Mr. Wadia said Mr. Kirkbride was an importer of motors, and he had himself obtained a number from Mr. Gell. His client believed it to be a general number. This prosecution was only the result of a misunderstanding.

At the suggestion of the Magistrate, Inspector Bodley was asked to consult the Commissioner of Police whether under the circumstances of the case he wished to press the charge against Mr. Kirkbride and the inquiry in the mean while was stopped. After making the necessary inquiry, Mr. Bodley informed the Magistrate that the Commissioner had given him permission to withdraw the case.

The case was accordingly withdrawn.

PUBLIC COMPANY MEETINGS.

THE INDIAN MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

THE twenty-fourth annual meeting of the Company was held yesterday at the registered office, Hummum Street, Mr. Vundravandas Ramjee, Chairman of the Board of Directors, presiding. The directors' report stated :—

"The Directors have the pleasure to lay before you the twenty-fourth annual report of the working of the mill, together with the audited accounts for the year ending 31st December 1905. From the annual accounts it will be seen that the Company has made a net profit of Rs 3,20,034-9-1 including Rs. 4,384-3-0, brought forward from last year's account, which, they trust, you will find satisfactory. The Directors have paid an ad-interim dividend in September last at Rs. 30 per whole and Rs. 15 per half share, absorbing Rs. 27,000 They now propose to declare a dividend at Rs. 60 per whole and Rs. 30 per half share for the second half year ending 31st December 1905, which will absorb Rs. 54,000; to carry to the depreciation of machinery account Rs. 1,00,000; to carry to reserve fund account Rs. 75,000; to carry to next year's account Rs. 4,034-9-1, total Rs. 3,20,034-9-1. The Company's property including buildings, machinery and their accessories, shafting and gearing, stock and stock in process are insured for Rs. 13,04,000 and cotton, yarn, piecegoods and stores for Rs. 6,12,000 aggregating Rs. 19,26,000. Two of the directors Mr. Manmohandas Ramjee and the Hon'ble Mr. Vithaldas Damodher Thackersey retire by rotation, but are eligible for re-election. Your Directors request you to appoint Auditors for the current year and fix their remuneration."

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FACTS AND FIGURES.

THE Director General of Commercial Intelligence, yesterday, issued a blue-book of over five hundred pages full of the Financial and Commercial Statistics of British India. In the midst of these we find tables concerning the Cotton mills of the country, from which we gather that at the close of the last official year, there were 213 of these mills containing 47,305 looms and 5,196,432 spindles. Of the total, 109 were exclusively spinning mills, five exclusively weaving mills and in 89 both spinning and weaving were carried on. They employed a daily average of 196,869 persons, of whom 127,607 are men, 37,728 women 18,784 young persons and 11,835 children. Five mills were closed throughout the year. The nominal capital of the mills is set down at seventeen and a half crores, including sterling capital. With debentures the aggregate of the nominal capital, including private proprietary mills, is slightly in excess of 205 millions of rupees and of these 159 and a half millions is paid up. Bombay Presidency possesses seventy per cent. of the mills, seventy per cent. of the spindles and seventy-six per cent. of the looms. In the Native States and French territory, nineteen mills are worked with 3,565 looms and 284,050 spindles. The spinning of yarn is shown, in large degree, to be centred in Bombay, the mills of this province producing nearly seventy-six per cent. of the quantity spun in British India. Bengal produced seven per cent, the United Provinces about five, Madras five, and the Central Provinces 4·7. Elsewhere the production is as yet very limited. A noticeable fact is the continued increase in the production of yarn of counts higher than 25's. The lower counts represent 99 per cent. of the whole production. In Bombay, however, the spinning of the higher counts is ten per cent. of the whole, in Madras nine, and in the Central Provinces five. Using Egyptian and other imported cotton, the Bombay mills are now spinning in appreciable quantity yarns of No. 40 and upwards. The production of the finer yarns increased last year to about seventeen million pounds for sixteen and a quarter in 1903-4 and less than twelve and a half million in the preceding two years.

From the chapters devoted to the mining industry we find the output of coal is increasing year by year and some 92,740 persons are now employed in the mines. The first mine was opened in 1820, and it was the only mine at work for twenty years. Thereafter there was hardly any further progress until the construction of railways began and the East India Railway passed through the coalfields about 1854. There was not, however, much development, beyond the supply of the needs of the railway-line and of river steamers until the construction of numerous mills and factories which almost as much in Western India as in Calcutta and the neighbourhood now depend principally on Bengal coal for fuel. The exports of coal to places beyond India were greater in 1904-05 than in any previous year, but they are still comparatively small and the trade does not give promise of great development, for both the field and the amount of consumption are limited by the competition of English coal in one direction and of cheap Australian and Japanese coal in the opposite direction. The chief customer for Indian coal is Ceylon, which with the Straits Settlements took 86 per cent. of the total exports in 1904-05. Although India is in a position to supply all her own wants in fuel, the imports of foreign coal are still considerable and amounted in 1904-05 to 252,393 tons imported as merchandise and 22,812 tons as Government stores, this however being little more than one-third of the quantity imported ten years previously. Nearly three-eighths of the private imports and the whole of the Government imports were English coal mostly landed in Bombay, the remainder coming from Australia and Japan. The quantity imported was forty per cent. greater than in 1903-04 as the British coal trade was depressed and freights for Welsh coals to Bombay and Karachi fell as low as six shillings per ton owing to the renumerative freights for produce obtainable for the return journey. There was a notable increase of imports from Japan, also due to the cheap freights charged by returning colliers which had carried Welsh coal to Japan. The railways in India take a large share of the coal produced in this country and now only import a few thousand tons.

Manganese ore is fully dealt with. The industry commenced little more than ten years ago by quarrying in the deposits in the Vizianagram State and from an output of 3,130 tons in 1893, the production in 1903 grew to 171,806 tons. India is now one of the first two countries producing high grade manganese ore. In 1904 the rapid and continuous rise in production was checked, the total output falling to 150,297 tons. The reason for this fall was the low market prices which prevailed in 1903-04. The ore raised in the Central Provinces is of a very high grade ranging from 51 to 54 per cent. of the metal and in consequence of its high quality is able to pay the heavy tax of freight over five hundred miles of railway, besides the shipment charges to Europe and America, for the whole of the ore is exported to be used principally in steel manufacture in Great Britain, Germany and the United States. By far the the largest proportion of ore is raised in the Nagpur district, though other districts are now yielding large supplies. The work hitherto has been little more than quarrying and no approach to exhaustion can be said to have occurred in the chief deposits, which, however, are being worked for the highest grade of ore only. In the Nagpur area and in Vizianagram, the ore occurs as lenses in the gniesses and schists, attaining a length in one case of six miles and thickness in the case of pure ore-bodies of over a hundred feet. Layers of nodules also occur as the result of the removal of crystalline limestone through which the nodules were originally disseminated. In the Jubbulpore district the ore is of a lower grade and is generally a manganiferous limonite found by the alteration and concentration of the manganese in the hematites which occur as constituents of the Dharwar Archæan schists. The most prominent and sometimes the only mineral in the purest ore-bodies is brannite, which is often accompanied by psilomelane. In parts of the Deccan plateau manganese ore is shown to occur as nodules formed by the concentration of the oxide in the decomposition products of the great basaltic lava-flows. The volume contains very much more information, but we have quoted enough to demonstrate its value as a commercial record.

BELGIUM INTERDICTS ABSINTHE.

Belgium has declared war on absinthe in the name of public health and morals, says "L'Energie Francaise." This action is the more remarkable since no one looked on Belgium as particularly well qualified to become an apostle of temperance, for Belgium, next to Denmark and Holland, consumes more brandy by inhabitant than any other country, and is moreover the land of these flourishing Flemish drinking-halls, and of fairs and festivities that are anything but displays of sobriety.. The law promulgated against absinthe is formal and comprehensive. It forbids the manufacture, transport, sale, or detention for the purpose of sale, of absinthe under a penalty of a fine of from twenty-six to five hundred francs, an imprisonment for a period of eight days to six months, as well as confiscation of the offending liquor. The importation of absinthe into Belgium, except in transit, is also forbidden. The law comes into force in ten months after the day of publication, thus allowing for the exhaustion of present stocks, but the manufacture and importation is forbidden from the moment of publication. It seems a hard law, and the punishment for breaking is severe, when it is remembered that any other alcoholic beverage, however abominably poisonous, may still be sold with impunity. It is not that the Belgians have yet become devoted absinthe-consumers, for they only consume 500 hectolitres yearly of this forbidden liqueur. But Government is afraid that they may imitate the example of France which in 1873 drank only 6,713 hectolitres of absinthe, but in 1900, the draught had increased to 220,900 hectolitres. Alcoholism, although a pernicious enough habit, is mild in its effects compared to those of absinthe on the human system. The recently passed law is the result of the report presented to the Belgian Chamber resuming the opinions of French scientists who studied the composition of absinthe. Dr. Bienfait stated that it is a solution of different essences mixed with alcohol at seventy degrees, the essences being, among others, those of aniseed, of coriander, angelica, and essential oils of the greater and less absinthe. Thus there are many things included in this liqueur, and there are really only about 50 grammes of absinthe to 100 litres of it.

Some manufacturers do not hesitate to make absinthe by simply mixing industrial alcohol with different essences containing well-known convulsive poisons and this habit is so extensive that Dr. Magnan, desiring to make experiments with absinthe, was obliged to manufacture it himself, for he could not find any unadulterated in Paris. It seems to be established that it has a much worse effect on those who drink it than alcohol. It has a convulsive rather than a stupefying influence on the nervous system, due to the essences entering into its composition. The essence of absinthe itself consists of chemical substances of which the principal, thuyone, is distinctly toxic. Dr. Legrain writes that it is the "most pernicious of alcoholic beverages, it is 'bottled epilepsy' and a pleasant and subtle poison, but the green fairy is an evil fairy. It makes the man more of a slave thay alcohol does, it brutalises him and leaves him at the mercy of his impulses. Palsy, vertigo, serious epileptic seizures are produced by absinthe. A nation addicted to absinthe opens a page in the volume of its decadence." This is a strong judgment. The French Academy of Medicine entrusted the classification of toxic beverages to a special commission of medical scientists and they gave the first place in the list to absinthe. Menelik, Negus of Abyssinia, anticipated Belgium and forbade its sale of in his State. But then, says a French Senator and wit, Menelik had not to consider the manufacturers of absinthe nor the electors. And this latter consideration will prevent France from legislating at present against what is fast becoming the national drink of the Republic. It is not only the rich who consume it, it runs freely in the faubourgs, in the bars and popular places of amusement. A Belgian legislator declared, during the debate on the passing of the new law, that walking along the Paris boulevards between six and seven o'clock in the evening, he inhaled an odour of absinthe ; it perfumed the air. And yet a law passed in December, 1900, arms the Government with powers to forbid by a decree, "the manufacture, circulation or sale of any essence declared to be dangerous by the Academy of Medicine." That Academy pronounced all aromatic alcoholic beverages injurious and therefore the French Government can, if it likes, forbid absinthe. But it will not, for the electoral crisis approaches and it would be unwise to risk irritating an important section of the French population. France is not the only country where expediency silences the voice of wisdom.

FASCINATIONS OF THE FOWL-RUN.

THE proprietor of the "Indian Planters' Gazette" issues an appeal to the Press to join him in forcing upon the attention of Government the necessity of doing something for poultry-culture in India. We are dubious about "the enormous field which this country presents for the profitable pursuit of this essentially modern cult in economics." There is no doubt that poultry and game breeding is in a desperately parlous state in India. The birds we sometimes have served up under the name of partridges, usually have the effect of making us long for the sylvan spinnies and green coverts at Home, but they seldom do anything to gratify the palate. Poultry breeding is in a bad way here, and the "Indian Planters' Gazette" has our genuine sympathy in its efforts to infuse an affection for "the fancy" into the people of India. We believe it is contemplated ere long to have an experimental farm for each important distinct agricultural tract in India. When such greatly-needed institutions are established, we can scarcely imagine them without a section devoted to poultry-breeding, considering what blessings have followed in its train at Home and in Ireland and America since the cult caught on about a couple of decades ago. India is undoubtedly a splendid market for poultry. The Americans are slowly giving up butcher's meat in favour of birds and eggs. Yet they can generally get meat if they want it. That is not the case in India. The best some people get in the way of meat is but an apology for the prime beef of Old England. Lord Minto could do much for poultry breeding in India an' he would, and when proper poultry shows have been established and railway facilities afforded, perhaps the fascinations of the fowl-run will begin to be adequately realised in India.

H. E. THE VICEROY will distribute prizes to the Calcutta Volunteer Rifles at the Volunteer Headquarters at 5 p.m. on Saturday the 24th.

THE Rawalpindi Golf Championship has been won by Major Tizzard.

HIS HIGHNESS the Maharaja of Bikanir arrived in Calcutta on a private visit yesterday morning (20th) and is staying at the Great Eastern Hotel.

IN addition to two ordinary services a day each way, the Kalka-Simla Railway will run a special up-train from 24th March to 10th April, leaving Kalka at 5-30 a. m., and arriving at Simla at 12-30 p. m. The people of the exodus will appreciate this thoughtful enterprise.

A CERTAIN number of large and wealthy land proprietors in South Russia, have proposed, as a possible solution of the agrarian problem, that they should place at the disposal of the peasants their arable land, and that the latter should cultivate it on a system of hire, apportioning the landlords a just share of the net profits.

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad-Dholka Railway, for the week ending 3rd February, amounted to Rs. 1,793, being a decrease on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 380. Total earnings from 1st Jan. to 3rd February, were Rs. 7,597, being a decrease on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 3,133.

THE statement of traffic of the Tapti-Valley Railway, for the week ending 3rd February, amounted to Rs. 43,745 being an increase on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 24,932. Total earnings from 1st January to 3rd February, were Rs. 2,11,733, being an increase on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 1,21,821.

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad-Prantej Railway, for the week ending 3rd February, amounted to Rs. 4,432, being an increase on the corresponding week of last year of Rs. 335. Total earnings from 1st January to 3rd February, were Rs. 21,530, being a decrease on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 287.

AN interesting "rapprochement" is being established between Russians and Japanese in the Far East. Societies are being started in Japan, with a view to bring about cordial relations with Russia. Similar societies are being founded at Vladivostok and Harbin, and at the latter it is proposed to extend a friendly hand to the Chinese also. A newspaper, printed in Chinese, the "Dan-Juan-Pao" has just been started in favor of this propaganda.

LORD FRANCIS SCOTT, who is an A.-D.-C. on the Viceregal Staff, and who was deputed to Karachi to bid farewell to Their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales on behalf of the Viceroy, was responsible for a wonderful batting record in connection with the Calcutta Cricket Club. His average reads as follows :—6 innings, 3 times not out, highest score 207, total runs 582, average 194.

THE Railway Board will leave Calcutta on the 31st instant, and visit Chittagong on the 1st April, where they inspect the jetties, shops and stores. They will then proceed to the oil mills and coal mines on the Dibrugarh-Sadiya Railway, where they arrive on the 7th. They will interview the Lieutenant-Governor at Dacca on the 11th and 12th, and return to Sealdah on the 13th. With the exception of the Silchar branch, the inspection covers the whole of the Assam-Bengal Railway.

THE pilot vessel "Fraser," having returned to the Sandheads wireless telegraphy between that vessel and Saugor Island is resumed, and the system is again open for public telegrams at the usual rates for inland telegrams. In telegrams addressed to ships the charges must be paid by the sender as usual and by the addressee on telegrams from ships. The pilot boat plying between the lightship and incoming or outgoing vessel will carry telegrams to and fro.

IT will be interesting to the silk world to hear that an experiment, by Miss B. Brown of Vizianagram, in domesticating the tasar silk-worm, has proved a success. This worm in a wild state produces the best of the silks of India and now that it has been domesticated it provides a new source of supply for filatures as under the methods adopted it can be raised in the vicinity of these machines, which can be worked satisfactorily by hired labour, while the rearing provides a homework for women. This domestication of the tasar silk-worm is the greatest advancement that has been achieved for many years in the silk industry and should be fruitful in results.

WHEN the accounts, in connection with Lumsden's Horse, were closed three years ago, a balance of nearly Rs. 30,000 remained in hand ; and the disposal of this sum formed the matter of serious consideration on the part of the Committee which had control of the Fund raised for the Corps. At the suggestion of Colonel Lumsden, it was decided to devote it to a purpose which met with general approval at the time. The money, says the "Pioneer," was made over to the Bengal Government on condition that mounted volunteers, requiring medical or surgical treatment, should be received at half-rates in the paying-ward of the Presidency General Hospital, Calcutta. The number of patients was to be limited to two at a time, and the effect was thus to endow two "half-beds." But the new General Hospital has not yet been built ; and through some misunderstanding as to the terms of the endowment, mounted volunteers have not so far reaped any advantage from it, though some of them have been ordinary paying-patients in the old hospital—which is to be demolished in order to make room for a new and well-equipped building on modern lines. The interest on the money has not been lost, as it has accumulated since the sum was placed in the hands of Government. The matter was recently brought to the attention of the Lieutenant-Governor by Colonel Lumsden, and Sir Andrew Fraser immediately took steps to make the original plan effective. Two beds in the existing General Hospital are to be regarded as available now, pending the erection of the new building, and patients will accordingly be received on the terms specified.

THE AUSTRALIAN, A STUDY.

BY C. DE THIERRY.

A LITTLE while ago, says this writer in the "Empire Review," Mr. Reid told the people of Sydney that Australia is the most unpopular country in the world. That a politician of his standing should make use of terms so blunt is at least suggestive. For no one, except the American, is as sensitive to adverse criticism as the Australian. But is Mr. Reid correct ? There is no little doubt about it as there is about its uniqueness in history.

Never before, not even in ancient Greece, has a colony created for itself such general dislike. It is, however new, and so far as Germany, France, China, and Japan are concerned, due to the expansion of the Pacific, and therefore inevitable. But unfortunately Australia is unpopular where there is no good reason for it. In South Africa, for instance, the feeling towards her is almost bitter. Australia says the attitude of the Transvaal on the Chinese Labour question is responsible for that. But, as the feeling dates from a period long before the war, its origin must be personal rather than political. As a matter of fact it is. Even in Canada and the United States the impression of Australia is not a good one, and in England, especially of late years, the old cordiality has lost something of its warmth. It therefore comes to this ; the popularity of the Commonwealth is no greater in the British Empire than it is in the world at large. The reasons for the one, which is shared by all the King's Dominions alike, are obvious, but the reasons for the other are more subtle. It is from this point of view that the Australian is well worth consideration.

For he is not a degenerate offshoot of our race. On the contrary, he is the most individual of all Colonials. Without losing his original virility he has grafted on to the old stock qualities which are not British. He is long and lean, though not colourless or angular like the American. His mind is alert and receptive. He bubbles over with good nature. His boyish irresponsibility and unconventionality are like a tonic. In short he has all the charm of youth and vigour everywhere, together with the exhilaration of his own intoxicating atmosphere. Both physically and mentally he is evolving a fresh type. Environment and a strong Celtic strain have united in him the Saxon and Celt harmoniously.

But the very forces which have made him so have made him unsympathetic. His sun and air would bring forth gaiety in any temperament, but it is shadowed by a grudging nature. The elements of his climate are mighty and variable. With drought, flood, fire, and hurricane he is painfully familiar. Then, if Australia is a new British State, it is old as a continent. All its forms of life were extinct elsewhere in prehistoric times. Its mystery and loneliness, its weirdness and melancholy suggestiveness, have no relief. It does not uplift man, it oppresses them to madness. But the national character is exposed to two other influences greater even than these. They are remoteness and distance. Unlike Canada and South Africa, Australia, until lately, was isolated from the world. Not only is she four times as far from England as the one, and twice as far as the other' but she has no great Power on her frontier. Nor is this all. The Commonwealth is as large as Europe without the peninsulas and islands. She has, however, no Transcontinental railway and no inland water system. Moreover, the States are practically coast settlements. All the chief cities are near the sea, and only three are connected by the iron-road. It is as if St. Petersburg, Constantinople, and Vienna had no communication except by water with one another, or with Paris, Brussels, and Berlin, linked together by a coasts railway. To further realise conditions in Australia one must think of the better part of Russia, Germany, Austria, and France as a wilderness.

With such an environment provincialism was bound to grow rank within and without. Its only corrective was the Imperial sentiment, which, having no stimulus, burned low. For Australia never bore a burden like South Africa in the native problem, nor learned to know herself in adapting British rule to an alien race, like the French, Dutch, or Maoris. As for the discipline of war and diplomacy with an aggressive Power at her gates, such as made Canada, she has only just begun to realise that it is possible. In other words, Australia has grown to maturity without travail. She is, as it were, a man with the soul of a boy. It is, perhaps, one of the secrets of her charm, but it is also one of the sources of her weakness. There is no royal road to greatness for nations any more than there is for individuals. It is achieved only by the slow and laborious process of developing the spirit.

But if Australia has not been tried in the furnace of affliction the Australian has. In fighting the naked elements his record is as fine as any in the annals of the British Empire. It is an epic of heroic endurance. For, if he gained more than the pioneers in other countries, he suffered more. In him the Englishman's love of solitude and adventure reached their highest point. Even in old age he never knew when he was beaten. He was as impregnable to fortune as the ideal Christian, and as courageous as the Spartan in bearing pain. Bitten by a snake, his hand or foot was instantly chopped off by an axe. With a broken hip he would mount his horse and ride miles for medical aid. Under the doctor's hands he was as stoical as the Chinese. But nerve of this kind is taken as a matter of course. So, too, is the pluck that thinks only of beginning the struggle all over again after drought or fire has swept away the fruit of the labour of years, it may be several times. But in the process the British character has been stripped to bed-rock. Daring and endurance have left no room for qualities that make for grace. The old Norse spirit was strong in the bushman, but the sympathies that lent it beauty were stunted by the terrible struggle for existence against nature. How entirely material the development of Australia has been may be gathered from the fact that its explorers are its only heroes. But its real heroes are the squatters.

Now this type is just as strong as ever it was. It has lost nothing by the lapse of time. But it has ceased to dominate the Continent, which is governed, not by the country, but by the town, by the workingman, not by the squatter. There is a curious irony in this, because the one merely followed in the path hollowed out by the other. That is to say, the slow pageantry of progress in Australia was, and is, headed by the squatter, and but for him, and the purely native toilers called into existence by his needs, the miner would never have been. Although the power of the squatter was shaken by the discovery of gold it was not lost until mining became an industry in, which the expert and capital precede labour. Then the Australia which we know now began to grow.

Being human, the squatocracy in its day had many faults. But its virtues far outweighed these. It drew to itself the best blood and brains in the country. It maintained the standards of the English country gentleman. It saved society from the worst consequences of the gold fever. It produced statesmen who, in character, culture, and intellect, might have adorned any Chancellery in Europe. It made Australia the most popular of all the Colonies. But it did not make her a nation. The loyalty of the squatters to the mother-country was greater than their loyalty to the country of their adoption. This was true of the early settlers in every British community over sea. But nowhere was it so marked as in Australia. This was due to the unhappy circumstances of its foundation, and the uncanniness of nature. In New Zealand men could take a pride in the new land because of its likeness to the old, but they never could in Australia. Hence everything English was landed at the expense of everything Colonial. To such lengths was this feeling carried indeed, that the English-born were called sterling, whereas the native born were called currency, from a term used to denote debased money. In other words, parents taught their children to regard themselves as a lower order of beings. The growth of Australian self-respect dates from the early eighties of the last century when Australian cricketers and scullers carried all before them in this country. It is one of the subtlest chapters in our history. But it is more in harmony with Hellenism than with Englishism. No more powerful argument can be used in favour of inter-Imperial games.

THE ARMY ESTIMATES.

SUPERIORITY OF THE LINKED BATTALIONS.

The Shortage of Officers.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, MARCH 20.

The Debate on the Army Estimates was resumed in the House of Commons last night.

Mr. Haldane in the course of his remarks said that the Commander of the Eastern District had been requested to report confidentially in reference to the XVI Lancers in which regiment seventy-five courts-martial had taken place in 1905.

During the debate Mr. Haldane said he believed the linked battalion system was the most workable one. Something, he said, would have to be done to make the Militia an adequate support and Reserve of the Army.

Mr. Arnold Forster said the late Government was actually carrying out several of the economies Mr. Haldane was now advocating and he objected to Mr. Haldane assuming the credit for them.

In the House of Lords, Lord Hardinge called attention to the shortage of 1,045 officers and 36,000 men in the Militia.

The Earl of Portsmouth, Under Secretary for War, in the course of his reply, said the Government was anxious to remedy the objections of Militia officers to being controlled by the Regulars and was seriously considering the matter. He hoped for further assistance from the Universities and Lord Lieutenants in getting officers.

THE MOROCCO CONFERENCE.

Impasse Continues.

The deadlock continues at Algeciras, the French and German delegates waiting for each other to make a move.

THE FIGHTING IN THE PHILIPPINES.

General Woods Exculpated.

General Wood's report on the fighting in the Philippines is considered at Washington to exculpate him from the charges of massacring women and children.

RUSSIAN ELECTIONS.

Preparations for the Duma.

LONDON, MARCH 19.

The preliminary elections for the Duma took place yesterday.

The greater part of Russia is perfectly tranquil.

UNREST IN POLAND.

Disorder Continues.

Constant outrages and disorders are taking place in Poland.

An armed mob has attacked the prison in the centre of Warsaw and released a political prisoner. One warder was killed and two wounded.

A passenger train has been deliberately derailed and five people injured.

One hundred and twenty pounds of dynamite has been discovered under a bridge near Warsaw.

EXECUTION OF LIEUT. SCHMIDT.

Lieut. Schmidt sentenced to death for the part he took in the Odessa mutiny was duly executed to-day.

EXPEDITION IN NIGERIA.

Strong Force Despatched.

A strong punitive expedition is being concentrated at Kano against the powerful Emir of Hadeija in Northern Nigeria, who is persistently hostile to the British.

SOCIALIST MEETINGS IN BERLIN.

One hundred and five Socialist meetings were held in Berlin, in celebration of the revolution of 1848 All passed off quietly.

THE STRIKE AT COURRIERES.

Concessions Rejected.

Forty-six thousand strikers at Courrieres have rejected the concessions offered them and are now becoming disorderly.

THE LATE ACCIDENT AT CHARING CROSS.

Traffic Resumed.

The roof of the Charing Cross Station having been repaired, the traffic has been resumed.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

The Association football match at Cardiff, has resulted in England beating Wales by one to nil.

OBITUARY.

The death is announced of Johann Most, the Anarchist.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE ROYAL TOUR IN INDIA.

Eulogistic Press Opinions.

LONDON, MARCH 20.

Most of the newspapers publish articles on the Prince of Wales's tour in India which was not marred by any hitch and there is no question as to its being a political and social success.

It finds a fitting termination in the visit to modern Egypt, the handiwork of Lord Cromer.

FIRE ON A CALCUTTA STEAMER.

LUCKNOW, MARCH 19.

The s. s. Simla, from Calcutta, has arrived at Port Said with her cargo on fire, and is partially discharging. The steamer is slightly damaged.

LONDON, MARCH 20.

The steamer Simla has proceeded on her voyage from Port Said.

THE ITALIAN CHAMBER.

Autonomous Constitution Bill Introduced.

A despatch from Rome states that Signor Guicciardini has announced the introduction into the Italian Chamber of a Bill granting an autonomous constitution.

KITE FLYING IN THE BRITISH ARMY.

Expert Instructor Appointed.

M. Benadir, the kite flying expert, has been appointed instructor to the British Army at a salary of six-hundred pounds yearly.

THE VICEROY'S TOUR.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 20.

H. E. the Viceroy at Ajmer, on April 4th, will inspect the Mayo College.

Her Excellency Lady Minto, accompanied by Captains Campbell, Ross and Keighley, left Calcutta for Dehra Dun last night.

H. E. THE GOVERNOR'S TOUR.

DEPARTURE FOR BOMBAY.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

KARACHI, MARCH 20.

The R. I. M. S. Dufferin left for Bombay, this morning, with His Excellency Lord Lamington and suite, the departure being private.

THE ARMY REFORM SCHEME.

DISPERSING OF THE OLD DEPARTMENT.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 20.

It is understood that Major-General A. R. Martin has been appointed Adjutant-General in India. The personnel of the late Military Department have been dispersed. Major-General DeBrath, the Secretary, left Calcutta last night to take up the Command at Aden. Colonel Watkis, Deputy Secretary, is already established at Poona as D. A. G. Colonel Kenny becomes Deputy Secretary of the Military Supply Department. Major Holloway goes home on leave. Major Turner returns to his regiment, and Captain Ashmore joins the Army Finance Department.

THE LEGAL WORLD IN BENGAL.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CULCUTTA, MARCH 20.

The Hon. Sir Francis Maclean, Chief Justice of Bengal, goes home on leave in May. Mr. Justice Ghosh, Senior Puisne Judge, will presumably officiate. The Lieutenant-Governor of Eastern Bengal and Assam left Calcutta, last night, after the investiture to resume his tour.

CAPTAIN FITZGERALD'S TIBETAN MISSION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 20.

Captain Fitzgerald, of the Commander-in-Chief's Staff, reached Darjeeling from Tibet yesterday, and arrives at Calcutta to-day.

THE DARJEELING TEA MURDER.

ACCUSED ON TRIAL.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 20.

The trial of the alleged murderers of Mr. Goss, at Darjeeling, has commenced.

MR. COMPTON AND THE ANTI-TEA DUTY LEAGUE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

COLOMBO, MARCH 15.

A "Times of Ceylon" telegram states that the Council of the Anti-Tea Duty League has decided that the services of its Organising Secretary, Mr. H. Compton, shall be dispensed with, he being beyond all control.

It is stated that Mr. Compton will shortly start a new Anti-Tea Duty League, which will be called the Free Tea League.

TO-DAY'S VICEREGAL COUNCIL MEETING.

HON. MR. GOKHALE'S QUESTIONS.

BOYCOTT OF THE "WEEKLY CHRONICLE."

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 20

At to-morrow's meeting of the Legislative Council the Hon. Mr. Gokhale will ask:

(1). Will Government be pleased to state how the four members of the Cadet Corps to whom Commissions were granted last year have been posted and what are their prospects of being entrusted with regimental duties in the Indian Army?

Have the Government of India noticed what has been described in the Press as the boycott of the "Weekly Chronicle" of Sylhet by the Government of East Bengal and Assam? Is it a fact that for publishing in its news column a report which that Government regarded as a gross misstatement and which the editor declared to be more than corroborated by careful enquiries made by him, that paper had been placed under a ban by the Lieutenant-Governor in the matter of official advertisements and official information and publications? Also, will Government be pleased to state why no criminal proceedings were instituted against the editor, and finally in view of the fact that important questions of principle affecting the status, dignity and independence of the Press in India are involved, if Government will be pleased to state their position generally on the subject and call on the Government of East Bengal to reconsider its action against the "Weekly Chronicle."?

THE VICEROY RECEIVES NOTABILITIES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 20.

His Excellency the Viceroy accorded interviews to the Maharaja Sir Rameshwar Sing Bahadur of Durbhanga, Maulvi Jubbur Khan Bahadur, C. I. E., and Khan Bahadur A. F. M. Abdur Rahman, this afternoon.

THE CUTCH RAILWAY SCHEME.

SIND only in importance to the visit of the Prince and Princess of Wales is the topic of Lord Lamington's visit for it is generally opposed in Karachi as much as in Bombay that the route he has followed can only have reference to one thing the question of the long proposed Cutch Railway. In a strong article on the matter the "Phoenix" says "the tour is fraught with a significance to this Province, which will be realized when, after the excitement occasioned by the Royal visit to this Province, we have settled down to our ordinary, humdrum, work-a-day life. We mean that the Governor has come equipped with a recent and personal experience of the country which should be the route of a railway that is of an importance that can hardly be exaggerated, to this city and this Province, he has doubtless personally heard "in situ" on the debated ground, the full case that has barred the construction of a railway that is really of Imperial importance; and if for the nonce, we dare hazard a conjecture, it will depend on the opinion he has formed, whether the interests of the Rao of Cutch will be allowed to reign paramount and supreme in preventing the construction of a railway which every other conceivable interest has been imperatively urging the construction of for many years past. It is not for a mere pleasure jaunt that His Excellency has travelled from Bhuj to Lakhput, a journey which, but for the selfish obstruction of a single individual, might have been traversed in comfort and pleasure in the usual Gubernatorial railway carriage. It is indeed a fine object lesson on the subject of the British Government's attitude towards Indian Chiefs to see the Government of Bombay submitted to travel in primitive fashion, at much personal discomfort, merely for the pleasure of studying the convenience of a Chief who prefers the methods of the Dark Ages, to the progress of the present time. We cannot but suppose that such a trip must intentionally or unintentionally have introduced to topic of the railway that ought to be on the route traversed. His Excellency must have himself seen the wealth of a rich and populous country simply spoiling for want of means of conveyance; he must have been aware of teeming myriads of thrifty, hardworking, enterprising man, starving for the want of money and opportunity which would be theirs if they could but gain access to the adjacent labour markets which are badly in need of such men; he must have been conscious of the possible imperilment of India, and the menace to the Empire itself, for the want of this little stretch of iron rails; and in his mind's eye he must have pictured the cause of taking such liberties with the welfare of provinces and the safety of empires, and what shape does the picture take? Only a single individual, albeit a Rao, impressing on the reluctance of the Government to interfere with its feudatories more than its can help, and prohibiting the construction of the iron road lest it should reduce his revenues from the sea customs. We have always tried to zealously safeguard private rights when they seemed to clash with official ideas; but in the matter of the railway through Cutch, it seems to us that the Government of India in its intense desire to respect the private rights of the Rao has gone to such extremes as to sacrifice the rights of the public, to say nothing of its own. For the Railway Board to suggest another route, and to say the Rao will repent his obduracy in sorrow and ashes when it is too late, is utterly unworthy of the great considerations at issue. If the Rao is going to repent in the end, why not prevent him in the beginning from having cause for repentance? Prevention is always better than cure. No alternative route can commend itself as strongly as the original route proposed through Cutch. Even if there are many other practicable routes for a railway connecting the two western ports of India; there can hardly be a more direct one than that proposed through Cutch; there can hardly be a more useful one either commercially, politically, administratively or strategically; there can hardly be a less expensive one. We have used the word hardly instead of the more certain never merely because the case for the route through Cutch is so strong that it needs no labouring contention to prove it, and we can afford to use the most strong terms applicable. This line, for which commerce has been clamouring, the defence of India has been demanding; the famine striken Cutchi has been crying his heart out for, and the adjacent provinces have been praying for, has already been surveyed and found practicable; and it is altogether inexplicable that the interests of the one should triumphantly overside the interests of the many in the dealings of the Government of India with the Rao of Cutch. The indefatigable Secretary of the Cutchi Union, Mr. Khimji Hirji Kayani, who has devoted himself heart and soul to the endeavour to see this railway line through his native country a fait accompli has been alive to the significance of the Governor's visit to Cutch, and he has moved the public bodies of Sind to press the subject, if possible, upon the claims of the Governor. We say Amen to his prayer which we hope to see fructify to the benefit of Cutch, and no less to Sind, Gujarat, Kathiawar and the Presidency proper."

BOMBAY IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

A SPECIAL meeting of the Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay was held yesterday afternoon. The Honourable Mr. G. O. W. Dunn presided. There were also present: Brigadier-General R. M. Greenfield, the Hon. Sir W. E. Hughes, Mr. T. W. Cuffe, Dr. A. G. Vlegas, Mr. D. E. Wacha, Mr. C. H. B. Forbes, Mr. W. D. Sheppard, Sir Bhalchandra Krishna, the Hon. Mr. Ebrahim Rahimtoola, Mr. Dwarkadas Dharamsey, Mr. J. S. Brown, Mr. G. W. Hatch and Mr. W. N. Shilstone, Secretary. The Committee further considered the question regarding the scheme for the extension of the Club Road towards Tardeo, and after some discussion it was resolved to refer the report to the Committee for their consideration.

Regarding the question of having auction sales of the right to building leases on the Trust lands carried out departmentally Mr. Sheppard suggested that all the leading auctioneers should be invited to state the terms on which they would do business for the Trust.

The Honourable Mr. Ebrahim Rahimtoola supported Mr. Sheppard's suggestion, and said that when replies were received the Committee would be in a position to decide, which auctioneer to employ.

Mr. Sheppard's suggestion was agreed upon.

The Committee further considered a letter from the President of the Municipal Corporation with regard to the proposals made for the amendment of the Improvement Trust Act. After some discussion it was decided to send replies to the effect that the amendments were discussed at the Board meetings and that with regard to the proceedings being made public, the Board considered that the proper time was, when it was ready for presentation to the Council.

NEWS LATER THAN THE MAIL.

GOVERNMENT AND THE TRANSVAAL.

THE SLAVERY CARTOONS.

LIBERAL CANDIDATE REFUSES TO REMOVE THEM.

LONDON, March 3rd.—An agent of Mr. H. C. W. Verney, the Liberal candidate for Basingstoke, has refused to remove the Chinese Slavery cartoons with which he has placarded the constituency, although such tactics were repudiated by the Government during the recent debates on the Rand Labour question.

STOCK EXCHANGE DEPRESSED.

OWING TO GOVERNMENT POLICY.

London, March 3rd.—The London Stock Exchange is greatly depressed. This condition is attributed to the fears provoked by the Government's South African policy.

All shares in the Kaffir market have fallen seriously some being lower than they have been for many years. The dullness which characterises South African stocks is reflected in other markets.

THE ATTACK ON LORD MILNER.

DENOUNCED AT JOHANNESBURG.

LONDON, March 3rd.—The description of Lord Milner's views as given in the House of Commons, by Mr. Winston Churchill, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for the Colonies has been denounced at Johannesburg as a huge misrepresentation. In proof of this contention Lord Milner's defenders cite the speech which he delivered on the occasion of his departure from Johannesburg, in which he pleaded for an intelligent sympathy for his native policy. Emphasis is also laid on the fact that the ex-High Commissioner advocated the appointment of an intercolonial commission for the conduct of native affairs.

A statement is also quoted of "The Times" correspondent at Johannesburg, who declares that the country is becoming alarmed at the Cabinet's ignorance in all matters appertaining to South Africa.

The Premier, remarks this correspondent, "makes an important statement about Chinese labour before he has read the Transvaal Labour Ordinance, and Mr. Churchill attacks Lord Milner's native policy without knowing what it was." Continuing, "The Times" correspondent declares, as a further evidence of Mr. Churchill's ignorance, that General Botha, only a week ago, declared that Lord Milner had pandered to the Kaffirs at the Indians' expense. The "Daily Telegraph's" correspondent at Johannesburg emphasises the resentment which is felt towards Mr. Winston Churchill for his interference with a problem which the whites, irrespective of race, regard as peculiarly their own.

The same correspondent states that the general colonial, and especially Boer, opinion considers Lord Milner's views regarding the future industrial, social, and political development of the coloured race as dangerously advanced.

THE STATE AND STARVING CHILDREN.

PRINCIPLE OF STATE FEEDING.

ACCEPTED BY MINISTERS.

London, March 3rd.—In the House of Commons, yesterday, a Bill introduced by Mr. W. T. Wilson, Labour Member for the Westhoughton Division of Lancashire, which gives power to the local authorities to provide meals for underfed, and, if such authorities think fit, any other children, and to recover cost of such service from the parents who are able to pay, was read a second time without a division.

Mr. Augustine Birrell, President of the Board of Education, and Mr. John Burns, President of the Local Government Board, supported the measure and promised during the Committee stage of the Bill that Government support would be given to its remaining stages, with a view of passing the measure during the present year.

Mr. Harold Cox, Liberal Member for Preston, with the object of shelving Mr. Wilson's Bill moved —"That the feeding of children as contemplated by the author of the measure before the House was calculated to diminish parental responsibility."

This amendment, however, failed to find a seconder.

SUGGESTED COMMERCIAL ALLIANCE.

BETWEEN BRITAIN, AMERICA, AND JAPAN.

LONDON, March 3rd.—Mr. Outchida, Japanese Consul-General in New York, speaking at a banquet last night, proposed the establishment of a triple commercial alliance between Great Britain, America, and Japan, so that all three countries might take the fullest advantage of the open door in China.

The proposal evoked enthusiastic cheers.

NOTES FROM AURANGABAD.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

AURANGABAD, MARCH 19.

DURING the late Annual Inspection of the 98th Infantry here, by General S. C. H. Monro, Commanding Ahmednagar Brigade, the Scouts having performed their duties to the entire satisfaction of Lieutenant B. H. Hall, the Officer in charge, he has rewarded them with a feast of their much-beloved sweetmeats, the strength of the party was about eighty.

The Annual Inspection proper of the troops garrisoned here took place, the day before yesterday, under the personal supervision of Major-General Sir G. L. R. Richardson, Commanding the Poona District. The forces operating were the 73rd Carnatic Infantry and 93th Infantry as well as the 34th Poona Horse. At about 7-30 a. m., the forces were drawn up in Line on the General Parade Ground, and on arrival of the Inspecting Officer, a general salute was ordered by Lieut.-Colonel A. W. Forbes, Commanding the Station. After closing ranks, a march past was executed in Double Companies and subsequently in quarter columns, the massed Bands of both the Infantries enlivening the proceedings. This done, the Regiments and the Cavalry were ordered to return to their respective quarters. The same evening the General Officer ordered the 73rd C. I. to perform a Tactical Route March in heavy marching order. They left their quarters at about 3 a. m. and marched by the Ahmednagar Road up to the 10th mile stone behind the village of Valooz, and thence returning six miles. At the 4th mile stone near a prominent hillock, generally known as the Bombay Hill, they rested for 15 minutes for light refreshments, after which they were reformed and inspected by the General Officer, who next ordered them to attack the Defending Force, (which happened to be the 98th Infantry) at Aurangabad. In a similar manner, the Defending Force was attacked simultaneously by Squadrons of the 34th Poona Horse, converging from the Nandgaon, Chaman, Tekri, and Pyton Roads. Being mounted the firing of the enemy from their entrenched position did not affect them much, on which account they dashed in; the 73rd Carnatic Infantry, however, remained behind, because they were apparently tired owing to their having had to march nearly 20 miles within a few hours. It was noticed that Lieut.-Colonel A. W. Brimner, Commanding the regiment, was on foot the whole time, showing no signs of fatigue or exhaustion, and setting a splendid example of endurance to his men.

THE BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE CAMP.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SANTACRUZ, TUESDAY.

Last night we were surprised by an attack by a detachment of the 104th. For some time we were kept busy, but our numbers were not sufficient to guard such a large area as that occupied by the camp and although we kept the enemy at bay for a considerable time, they eventually rushed in at a weak spot which they had discovered despite the darkness.

This morning there was the usual parade with some useful cross country work in the direction of Sahar. The annual inspection takes place to-morrow and it is impossible not to notice how wonderfully the Corps has smartened up during the camp. Light or heavy we are all horsemen and the morning's work out here has given us quite a military manner while on duty. The inspection is in the morning and the afternoon is to be given up to the scouting competition in which there promises to be a great deal of keen competition.

BOMBAY TRACT AND BIBLE SOCIETIES.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The combined meeting of the Bombay Auxiliary Bible Society and the Bombay Tract and Book Society was held at the Y. W. C. A. rooms yesterday afternoon, Mr. Justice Batty presiding and the Rev. Dr. Mackichan and other well-known gentlemen connected with the movements being upon the platform. The meeting opened with prayer by the Rev. Dr. Mackichan, after which the Secretary of the Tract Society read the report for last year which showed that during the year under report success had attended the efforts of the Committee. The receipts by sales were Rs. 37,853, thus making it the record year in the existence of the Society, being Rs. 666 more than in 1895, when the total was Rs. 37,193. The receipts by sales of vernacular literature were Rs. 5,412, an increase of Rs. 142 over 1904 and Rs. 1,990 more than in 1901, which was the record year in this department. The receipts by sales of books in the Import Department were the highest on record, being Rs. 630 more than in the previous year. The subscriptions for the year amounted to Rs. 521, and while this was more than was received in 1904, the Committee did not think it an adequate expression of the interest taken in the Society's work by the Christian public. In conclusion the Committee appealed to Christian friends for more generous aid, because without the help of the Tract Society missionaries could not effectively do their work.

Mr. Anderson moved the adoption of the report; Mr. B. N. Athavale seconded, and it was carried.

Miss Cunningham having sung, the annual report of the Bible Society was read by the Rev. W. E. H. Organe, which stated:

THE REPORT FOR 1905.

Our circulation has attained a higher figure by two thousand than it ever attained before, and it stands for the year at 108,447. Some by grants to students but the bulk by sales, these hundred and eight thousand, copies of the Bible (or some part of it) have passed into the hands of many who tread the pilgrim path of life.

The sales effected during the year were distributed as follows:—From the Bombay Depot 60,240. From the Ahmedabad 4,276, from the Mission Press, Surat 5,255, from Ahmednagar depot 3,589, from the Poona depot 4,084, by the Society's Colporteurs 32,183, by the Society's Biblewomen 711, total 110,345. Of this number 3,356 copies were not reckoned in the total circulation, because they were sold to other Auxiliaries of the Bible Society and will ultimately appear in their list of sales. The total given above consists of Bibles 5,750, Old Testaments 45, New 2,147, portions 102,403, total 110,345.

Dr. Mackichan, convener of the Revision Committee, reports steady progress with the revision of the Marathi Bible. The revised version of the New Testament should be ready for the press by the close of the Monsoon season, while the revisers are already at work on the Old Testament books.

Gujarati.—In connection with the Gujarati revision Rev. H. R. Scott of Surat writes that the Committee have already passed a New Testament text as far as Acts 17 and that he and his Indian assistant have made a preliminary revision of most of the other books.

FINANCE.

The receipts for the year amounted to Rs.36,162-8-7 and the expenditure to Rs.35,358-2-10, leaving a balance in hand of Rs. 804-5-9. Of the sum expended, only one-third was raised locally by sales and subscriptions, the other two-thirds being granted by the London Committee of the Society.

BIBLE-WOMEN.

The returns of the Society's Bible-woman for the grant year ending September 30th, 1905, shewed that altogether 22 Biblewomen were employed in various stations throughout the Presidency. They had access to the houses of Hindu and Mahomedan women of all castes, and were enabled, between them, to read the Scriptures to an average of 1,412 women per week. Out of this number 18 women were actually taught to read the Scriptures for themselves, while the number of copies of the Scriptures put into circulation by their means was, by gifts 433 copies, and by sales 283 copies, making a total of 716 copies.

In connection with the work for the past year there is no very striking incident to record, but beneath the surface one can easily trace the influence for good which faithful patient effort is having upon the hearts of the women. For instance a Lady Superintendent reports that one of the pupils of her Bible woman said to her, "I pray every morning and evening to Jesus Christ and have had several answers to my prayers." Another writes:—"The Indian women having been regularly visited have come to know the main portion of Bible Stories at least of the New Testament. But a re-actionary feeling is spreading through the educated Brahmans who are bitter against the Bible women, refusing them entrance, and disallowing their women to hear Bible stories, declaring that the Europeans themselves did not believe them and preferred Hinduism to their own Bible. But frequently non-Brahmans welcome the Bible women and exhort their wives to listen to the good news."

Thus it will be seen that while there is at times opposition and discouragement in the work there is also cause for hopefulness.

The adoption of the report was proposed by the Rev. H. McNeile, seconded and carried, and Mr. J. Henderson having rendered a solo, Mr. Justice Batty addressed the company. He said that the Society was in a very good condition and had an excellent report in this particular year. As he understood it there was a balance in hand of Rs. 6,000, and as most of the societies with which he was connected had a balance on the wrong side he thought this Society was in an exceedingly encouraging state. (Applause.)

Dr. Abbott briefly addressed the meeting, which then closed.

THE WESTERN INDIA LAWN TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP.

THE first game of the W. I. L. T. C. C. was played at the Gymkhana yesterday evening, between Cheetham and Randall and W. Reid and Barraclough. The former won both sets, but though the scores were well in their favour the win was by no means an easy one. In the first set the score was 6-2 in favour of Cheetham and Randall and they won the second set by six games to four after a hard struggle. Reid was not up to his best form however.

THE BOMBAY HUNT.

Hounds will meet, weather permitting, at the Jackal Club at day-break to-morrow, Thursday.—Hounds will move off as soon as the light permits and will not await the arrival of the early train.

ILLNESS OF MR. H. W. ORANGE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 20.

Mr. H. W. Orange, Director-General of Education, was unable, on account of ill-health, to be in Calcutta for the investiture and he has been advised to proceed home on medical certificate.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

WESTERN COMMAND.

Staff.—Lieutenant N. G. P. de C. Tronson, 1st Battalion, Leicestershire Regiment, to officiate as Assistant Commandant, Mounted Infantry School, Poona, during the absence on leave of Captain B. F. R. Holbrooke, 12th Duchess of Connaught's Own Baluchistan Infantry, or until further orders. Dated 10th March.

Captain A. M. Hannell, 32nd Lancers, was placed on special duty, in connection with the compilation of the Western Command Visual Signalling Map and attached to the Office of the Inspector of Army Signalling, Southern Circle, from 13th September to 19th October.

ART, MUSIC AND DRAMA.

International Exhibition at the New Gallery.

THE PHILHARMONIC CONCERT.

LONDON, MARCH 2.

In giving a general impression of this remarkable Art Congress, first let us take the whimsical and skylarking wit of Leandre: here we have his large drawing of the Two Friends, the big, coarse-grained, fair-haired good-liver and the little dark, nervous sensualist—and what a fine satirical piece of work it is! The ugliness of vice is so repulsively stamped on these faces that the mere contemplation of their features should act like a powerful sermon. Not that Leandre wishes to play the moral preacher. For to him nothing is sacred. See how he flaunts the sacred majesty of Justice in the drawing he exhibits under this title! But Leandre is not always content with brilliant fooling; and here we have his Woman of the Second Empire, his Woman with the monkey, and his exquisite little lithographed "Profile Study" of a girl, to show the rare beauty of his draughtsmanship. How tenderly and with what skill, his pencil's point works round the modelling of the head and features, even in his most gross caricatures! By the way, why do we see so little of Steinlen, one of France's greatest living artists?

Here, too, are the drawings of the late Constantin Meunier to show the wide range of this consummate sculptor—work that is overshadowed only by comparison with his own achievements in clay and bronze. There is something truly terrifying in his rendering of the modern slave of the soil and the furnace, not only in the tragedy of his monotonous toil, but in the colossal force stored up in these overworked muscles. There is always the threat of fierce revolt in Meunier's workers. Menzel's influence on the art of his day has been even greater than his own genius, and marvellous as is the truth of his work, for instance in that astounding study of a man's head in the centre of the wall devoted to him, one cannot help but feel that his over-insistence on toil is largely responsible for much of the painstaking dulness of so many artists in Germany to-day. Professor A. Legros seems to take a smaller place than is his wont, when shown in such company as surrounds him at the International. On going round the exhibition for a final survey of the rooms as a whole, one is more than ever struck by the very great beauty of the poetic work which is sent by Jules Guerin, and the charm of the pictures of children by the women-artists of America. Their technique shows a mastery that dismisses for ever the charge brought against women that they cannot draw—and, above all, draw character. Mr. H. M. Livens's water-colours make their mark even in this strong exhibition; he has for once cleared his palette of its eternal gloom, and shows an appreciation of the appearance of things in real daylight. Mr. Hartwick, like his old "Daily Graphic" companion, Mr. E. J. Sullivan, shows increasing breadth of technique, and a nervous sense of line.

But the honours of the large North Room are, as far as the British artists are concerned, with Mr. Joseph Crawhall, whose individual style, mastery of colour, beauty of technique, and exquisite feeling for line are splendidly employed in the statement of the character of birds and animals. He has absorbed the essence of the teaching of Japan, whilst the group of artists on the end wall of this room—Mr. Morley Fletcher, Mrs. Austen Brown, Mr. Ollson-Nordfelt, Herr Emil Orlik, and Mr. A. W. Seaby—follow the technical formula of the Japanese colour-print. The drawings of poetic conventional landscapes by Mr. J. J. Guthrie have steadily brought this artist to the front of late, and he is here seen to considerable advantage. An exhibition that shows no less than thirty etchings by Edouard Manet will attract the student. And poor Lautrec is represented by four lithographs in colour, which, though they are not his highest achievement in lithography show him to have had as rare a technical skill as he had a quaintly perverse vision of his beloved Paris and all that Paris meant to him. To carp at the committee of this exhibition seems a sorry return for the very great benefit that this show must be to all lovers of art, but we should like to see the Internationals giving more examples of several Englishmen and Americans of genius who are never likely to come into favour with the academic bodies—men like S. H. Sime, for instance, over here, and like Howard Pyle in America, perhaps a man who has had more influence for good in the realm of romance over the art of young England to-day than most studios would care to acknowledge. There are, besides, two or three men in the Royal Academy who are too big for the Academy, and ought to be shown against men of their own strength at the International.

The first concert of the present Philharmonic Season (always an important affair) was given the other night at the Queen's Hall, and it may be mentioned in passing that this is the ninety-fourth year of the society's existence. Dr. Frederic Cowen was the conductor, and the programme was an exceedingly interesting one. As usual, with the recurrence of each season, the concert opened with a performance of the National Anthem. It was followed by Sullivan's "Macbeth" Overture, which was composed for the revival of the play at the Lyceum, when Irving revived it during the closing days of 1888. The work does not altogether represent Sullivan at his best, although the scoring is in many places very fine; and it is never devoid of that natural sense of melody which was so good a friend to Sullivan all through his career. We passed on to Rubinstein's Concerto for Pianoforte and Orchestra (No. 4, in D minor, Op. 70), the solo part of which was taken by Mme. Carreno. This magnificently-equipped pianoforte player is especially noticeable for her singular rhetorical powers in her expression of music. Now, Rubinstein was, to all intents and purposes, an extraordinary rhetorician in his art. The result was that Mme. Carreno played the thing throughout in quite the right spirit, her incomparable quickness and strength giving to the composition that rare characteristic, the individuality itself of the composer. Mr. Frederic Austin made his first appearance at these concerts, and chose to sing that extremely difficult scena from "Die Walkure," "Wotan's Abschied," which tested his fine abilities to the utmost. In the orchestra the Fire-Music was played very beautifully, and with singular distinction, under Dr. Cowen's firm hand.

Mr. Austin's voice was quite equal to the enormous demands of the music, and, singing as he did without any score before him, he was able to throw his vocally emotional spirit into his great piece of declamation, with a full heart. We now come to what one might have considered beforehand as likely to be the most interesting item of the concert, namely, the revised version of Weingartner's Symphony in G. Op. 23), of which this was the first performance in London, and which was conducted by the composer himself. The work, however, does not appeal to us very strongly. It is well orchestrated, it is definite, it is interesting, it is pretty, but it cannot be ranked among the greater works of music. Any amateur could follow it and enjoy it, upon a first hearing, without any such elaborate analysis as was provided last night in the programme. One may easily say that, although the work is full of quickness and swiftly obvious rhythm, it has no real depth of feeling, no mystery, and, indeed, at times can scarcely claim to possess very great originality. It has many reminiscences which it would be idle to point out. Nevertheless, it is a pleasant work to hear, and Herr Weingartner's conducting was, of course, amazingly good. In certain little quiet crescendos, which seem to have been written especially for his own methods of conducting, he was altogether admirable. The chief quality of his conducting is quickness combined with a wonderful orchestral sense. He even, by his magical treatment, from the conductor's point of view, persuaded one at times that even his many repetitions in this composition of his own work placed it upon a higher footing than it deserved.

The programme also included three Chopin solos, for Mme. Carreno, and Dr. Cowen, as a conductor, fully lived up to his fine musical reputation.

A widow, still comely, has a marriagable, daughter. The widow, is quite ready to marry again, but she must first see her daughter settled. Well, she must be allowed her whim though, it is hard to see how Peggy would suffer from Mrs. O'Mara's marrying Lord Crackenthorpe. Peggy's chance of making a good match would, on the view, be enormously increased. His lordships, it appears, is not very clear as to the state of his feelings, the presence, of the daughter prevents him realising that, as far as he is in love with anybody, it is with the mother, like him, middle-aged, and sharing his tastes. Lord Crackenthope's mother and her brother, a retired Major, who has made Hawkhurst his home, do not want him to marry, and, imagining that Peggy is the female to to be feared, induce Crackenthorpe's much younger brother, Jimmy Keppel, a Ceylon tea-planter home on leave, to dazzle, Peggy, that is, with his attentions to turn her pretty head, and to turn it away from Crackenthorpe. Keppel reluctantly undertakes the job, and is soon as desperately in love with Peggy as she is with him. In life it would be all over very quickly- bar shouting—at the wedding. Many an admirable comedy has been made out of materials no less meagre, the writer holding the attention by the skill with which he has delineated character. Among friends, or even acquaintances, one can spend a very pleasant evening without much happening. In All-of a Sudden Peggy, produced, and favourably, if not enthusiastically, received Mr Ernest Denny does not give us vital studies of characters, the figures he sets before us are not lifelike, and if they are to entertain it must be not by what they are but by what they do.

A QUESTION OF PROFESSIONAL ETIQUETTE.

In the Bombay High Court, yesterday, before the Hon. Mr. Justice Chandavarkar, the suit was called on in which Laxman B. Joglekar and three others are plaintiffs and Ganpat Atmaram and two others are defendants. The first defendant was the administrator of the will of Atmaram Kanoba, deceased, who was the proprietor of the Ganpat Krishnaji Printing Press. Against him and the other defendants the claim was to recover Rs. 3,500, paid by the plaintiffs on the mortgage of the press, with interest and costs. Mr. J. D. Inverarity, instructed by Messrs. Chitnis and Motilal, appeared for the plaintiffs. Mr. G. R. Lowndes, instructed by Messrs. Maganlal, Jehangir, and Gulabbhoy appeared for the defendants.

Mr. Inverarity having read the plaint, Mr. Lowndes raised the following issues:—(1). Whether Messrs. Chitnis and Motilal, who were formerly attorneys of the defendants, can now appear in the suit as plaintiffs' attorneys. (2). Whether the mortgage to the plaintiffs was within the authority of the executors of Atmaram Kanoba. (3). Whether the consideration of that mortgage was, in fact, paid. (4). Whether the suit was barred by limitation; and general issue.

Mr. Inverarity objected to the first issue.

Mr. Lowndes said that the first thing he would beg of the Court to do in this case would be to put the attorney into the witness-box.

Mr. Inverarity said that was not the practice. His learned friend should have taken out either a rule or a summons in Chambers, and proceeded upon that. The attorney was not a part of the proceedings, and counsel could not understand how he could be tried in this case. If he was to be tried, it should be by means of an independent proceeding. Counsel then asked Mr. Lowndes to put in the written statements of his clients.

Mr. Lowndes replied he had none to offer, simply for the reason that this was a short-cause; he had been summoned to answer to a short-cause and he was ready to go on with it. Counsel again raised the question, whether the attorneys, who were instructing his learned friend now, having before acted as attorneys for the defendants, could appear for the plaintiffs in the suit? Mr. Lowndes added that the attorneys knew that this would be the first question raised.

Mr. Inverarity said this was irregular on the part of his learned friend.

The Judge pointed out that there was a leading case on the point, in which he remembered that Justice West and Justice Ranade had decided that when the question of professional conduct arose in a proceeding that question should be decided first and the case, in which it arose, afterwards. It was either in 11 or 12 Bombay.

Mr. Lowndes: That is just what we are doing.

Mr. Inverarity: It is in 12 Bombay 85. In that case a rule was taken out in another case, Agakhan's. A rule was taken out also.

The Judge: This will mean a long case; I had better transfer it to the long-cause list in the meantime, you take steps.—

Mr. Lowndes: There are minors in the case, and the solicitors instructing me are anxious to save costs in the case. I would rather withdraw the first issue, if your Lordship would try the case as a short-cause than let it go to the long-cause list.

Mr. Inverarity: Very well. Counsel then called Gajanand J. Joshi, who said he knew Maruti rao T. Patel, Purshotam G. Nadkarni, and Ganpat Atmaram, who were executors to Atmaram Kanoba. Witness was a clerk in their service. Evidence was then recorded by the Judge of the payment and the receipt of the Rs. 3,500, and the interest instalments paid in respect of the same. There were about one dozen entries, translations of which were tendered as exhibits but as these were insufficiently stamped, they were admitted on the plaintiffs' solicitors undertaking to pay the required stamp-penalty. Over one hour elapsed, but the examination-in-chief of this witness was not finished. His Lordship learnt from Mr. Inverarity that there were three or four more to be examined, and concluding that the case was not likely to be finished, he transferred it to the long-cause list. Costs of the day to be costs in the cause.

Mr. Lowndes then applied for the taking of a note on the record that as the case was not going to be tried as a short-cause, he should not be held to his condition about dropping the first issue any longer, now that the case was transferred to the long-cause list.

His Lordship said he had made the necessary note.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

RACQUET TOURNAMENT.

Draws for the Markers' Open Singles.

Jehangir Merwanjee (Godhpore)	To be played off on Mon. 26th at 3 p.m.	To be played off on Sat. 31st at 3 p.m.
Chintaman Dass (Calcutta)		
Manockjee Merwanjee (Bangalore)	To be played off on Mon. 26th at 4 p.m.	
Manockjee Dhunjeebhoy (Mhow)		
Hormusjee Merwanjee (Bombay)	To be played off on Tues. 27th at 3 p.m.	To be played off on Thur. 29th at 3 p.m.
Kalee Charan (Allahabad)		
M Baliah (Mysore) ...	To be played off on ues. 27th at 4 p.m.	
Pudumjee Merwanjee (Poona)		

Draws for the Markers' Handicap Doubles.

Jamsetjee Merwanjee (Bombay)	To be played off on Wed. 28th at 4 p.m.	To be played off on Fri. 30th at 3 p.m.
M Baliah (Mysore) ...		
Padamjee Merwanjee (Poona)		
Kalee Charan (Allahabad)		
Manockjee Merwanjee (Bangalore)	To be played off on Thur. 29th at 4 p.m.	
Hormusjee Merwanjee (Bombay)		
Jehangir Merwanjee (Jolhpore)		
Chintaman Dass (Calcutta)		

On the 1st April at 4 p.m. there will be a Match between the Winner of the Singles Tournament and Jamsetjee Merwanjee the Champion of the World, the latter giving points to be fixed hereafter.

The entries and ties for the Handicap Doubles, Gentleman and Marker Versus Gentleman and Marker, will be published later.

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FAMINE REPORTS.

The season and crop prospects in the "Gazette of India," of March 17, contain the following provincial reports:—

UNITED PROVINCES.

Rain fell during the week in twenty-three districts but the fall generally was inappreciable. The standing crops are ripening and harvesting operations have commenced and are in progress in eighteen districts. Opium is being gathered in thirteen districts. Sowing of extra crops and pressing of sugarcane continue all over the Provinces and in a few district fields are being prepared for the autum crops. Losses of cattle continue in Jalaun but the condition of agricultural stock generally is fair. Fodder is still scarce in nine districts. Prices are falling slightly and as a result of the rain received during the latter half of February prospects have improved. The total number of persons on relief at the end of the week was 161,000.

The weekly report on the famine and scarcity is as follows:—There were slight showers of rain during the week in Jalaun, Hamirpur, and Cawnpore. The harvesting of unirrigated crops in Hamirpur and in portions of Jalaun has been completed and the outturn is norminal in many villages. Losses of cattle continue in Jalaun where grass is being imported by road. Fodder is still scarce in the other districts also, but the prices of food grains have fallen slightly. Physically the condition of the people is satisfactory. The numbers on relief are:—Workers Jalaun 42,000, Jhansi 22,000, Muttra 10,000, Cawnpore 8,000 and Hamirpur 17,000; on gratuitous relief Jalaun 28,000, Jhansi 18,000, Muttra 6,000 Cawnpore 1,000 Hamirpur 9,000, total workers 99,000; on gratuitous relief 62,000 grand total 161,000. The whole of Etawah and three tahsils of Agra have been added to the affected area since the close of the week.

PUNJAB.

All districts except Rohtak, Gurgaon, Delhi, and Ferozepore received rain during the week. The prices of food grains are falling in most districts. Sowings of extra spring crops and ploughings and sowings of autumn crops continue. The standing crops are generally in good condition, unirrigated crops are still below average in Delhi. Hail fell in Rissar. Without causing damage small flights of locusts appeared in parts of Mianwali depositing eggs. Condition of cattle has improved. Fodder is still scarce in many districts. There are no complaints regarding the water-supply.

The weekly report on the famine and scarcity is as follows:—The numbers on famine relief in the Rohtak district in the week ending 10th March were:—On works 5,472; on gratuitous relies 4,491, total 9,963. Prices:—jowar 14 seers per rupee. The distress is moderate but will probably increase. Smaller cultivators and village menials are employed on works, the increase in number is chiefly due to the opening of a tank work at Madauna on which there is a large number of workers. People are generally resorting to works. There is no wandering or emaciation and the physical condition of the people is generally good. Relief measures are sufficient and the public health is good except for a few cases of plague.

RAJPUTANA.

The cultivated area is generally restricted. Crops are withering in Northern and Central Kotah and have been damaged by frost in parts of Mewar. Pasturage and fodder are insufficient in North Mewar, Jaipur, Kishengarh Alwar, Karauli, Bharatpur, Dholpur, Ajmer-Merwara, and parts of Marwar, Tonk, Partabgarh, and Kotah; in these tracts the condition of cattle is generally poor. Prices have fallen in Bikaneri, Partabgarh Bharatpur, and Ajmer and slightly in Jaisalmer and Alwar; they have risen slightly in Tonk. The numbers on famine relief were:—Ajmer-Merwara 54,374. In Native States 37,978. On Test works:—North Mewar 3,020, Shahpura 42, Tonk 1,303 Jaipur 4,065; on gratuitous relief North Mewar 831, Shaspura 195, Tonk 262, grand total 101,724 or a decrease of 3,176. In Alwar the general conversion of test works into famine works has been sanctioned.

The weekly report on the famine and scarcity is as follows:—Ajmer-Merwara:—on works Ajmer 17,643; Merwara 20,297; on gratuitous relief Ajmer 7,432, Merwara 8,502, total 54,374 for a decrease of 2,422 due to the Mohurram and Holi festivals. Prices:—Ajmer 11 1-2, Merwara 11 1-4 seers per rupee. Native States:—Marwar on works 4,021; on gratuitous relief 1,775, total 5,796: Kishangarh on works 2,740; on gratuitous relief 2,618, total 5,358; Alwar on works 2,800; on gratuitous relief 788, total 3,588 Eastern States on works 17,591., on gratuitous relief 5,645, total 23,236., total decrease in Native States 1,922 chiefly in Karauli. Prices:—Marwar 11 3-4, Kishengarh 12 1-2, Alwar 13 1-8., Karauli 9 1-2, Bharatpur 12 1-2, Dholpur affected area 10 3-4 seers per rupee. The physical condition of relief workers is fair to good and relief measures are adequate. There is no epidemic prevalent but a few cases of pleague are reported from Ajmer district.

CENTRAL INDIA.

There was no rain during the week. Harvesting of spring crops is in progress. The standing crops are fair in parts of Gwalior, Indore, Bhopal, Malwa, and Bhopawar; average in Bundelkhand; and indifferent in Baghelkhand. The probable outturn is normal in parts of Gwalior fair in Indore, Bhopal and Rhopawar and below average in Baghelkhand, Bundelkhand and Malwa. The crops have been slightly damaged by cold in parts of Indore and Bhopal. Agricultural stock is bad in parts of Gwalior; good in Malwa fair in Bhopal and average in Bundelkhand; Pasturage is bad in parts of Gwalior and scarce in north of Bundelkhand. Prices are high in Gwalior Indore, Baghelkhand rising in Bhopal and steady in parts of Malwa, Bundelkhand ann Bhopawar. Opium has been slightly damaged by cold in parts of Indore.

The weekly report on the famine and scarcity is as follows.—The general position is unaltered but it is feared that after the spring crops have been harvested the effects of famine in Gwalior will be more keenly felt. The numbers on works.—in Gwalior.—49,000 on gratuitous relief 7,500, total 56,500. It is anticipated that there will be a rapid increase in the numbers on relief which have double during the past four weeks. In Orchha, Datia, Samhar, Baoni, Panna, Charkhari, Bijawar, Chhatarpur, Sarlia, and Jagirs the numbers are:—on works 29,030, on gratuitous relief 2,500 total 31,500 grand total 85,000.

Bombay report will be published separately.

THE DADABHAI NAOROJI MEMORIAL HARTHY.

The following letter is being circulated:—

Gentlemen,—All of you know how the grand old man, Mr. Dadabhai Naoroji devoted his 50 years' life-time in India and in England, and endeavoured to raise our country in the scale of nations and to free us from political thraldom and thus earned the well-merited gratitude of a 300 millions of Indian people. Mr. Naoroji has finally made up his mind to enjoy the evening period of his life with the object of securing a place for him in the Parliament to obtain impartial administration of the Indian Empire from the hands of the rulers. As true sons of the soil, we should honor a self-sacrificing gentleman like Mr. Naoroji befitting his rank, work and honour; and it is he who really deserves the same. It is my life-long ambition to popularize the views of our Congress-leaders and enlightened men by way of improving vernacular journals. I propose therefore and most respectfully request you to institute a Harthy in honor and memory of the said worthy gentleman in the temple of Sri Venkateswara Swami of Tirupati, where, a foreigner, the late Major-General Sir Thomas Munro has founded a Nitya Naivedya Gangalaprasadam, so that, such institution may serve for a two-fold object—honoring our Naoroji in its Hindu principles and strengthening the foundations of his work, which he more likes than raising statues, etc. You are respectfully requested to endow with funds to perform the Harthy Kainkaryam permanently and appoint me as your agent to perform the said Kainkaryam on your behalf, so that I may be able to carry out my life-long ambition by way of contributing translations of the Congress Reports and its organizations to the Telugu journal, Andhraprakasika, which is the only medium for carrying out the object of the old man, Mr. Naoroji. The fees for Navaneestha Harthy is Rs. 42 and 21 for an ordinary Harthy per annum.

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(2) To be shot for by teams of 10 from each company.
(3) Team to consist of Members of one Company who must be efficient in Drill and Musketry for the current season.
(4) Teams having once commenced must complete the Match in one day.
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HERE, THERE AND EVERYWHERE.

The Welsh National Festival at St. Paul's Cathedral to-day is indebted for its origin to a political incident. In 1889 Sir John H. Puleston, present chairman of the executive commitee, writes a correspondent, was talking in the House of Commons to a prominent Nonconformist upon the subjet of Welsh Disestablishment, and in response to a challenge, Sir John declared that he could bring together a larger congregation to a London place of worship, belonging to the Church of England, than his friend could succeed in doing in a Nonconformist chapel. The gathering of colossal dimensions at St. Paul's in the following year was an outcome of that undertaking, and the annual festivals have been held with growing popularity ever since. Services have been held for Nonconforming Welshmen in the City Temple, and have also been well attended. There are, roughly speaking, 100,000 Welshmen in the Metropolis, 1,000 at least being registered on the voting lists of the Principality, so that good congregations are assured apart from the successful efforts of the railway companies to bring people to London by excursion trains from Wales.

A division in the House of Commons now consumes twenty minutes. The mode of taking divisions by the members walking through Aye and No lobbies and having their names recorded has been described by the Prime Minister as cumbrous, tedious, and inconvenient, and he has promised to have the subject considered. In Germany voting usually takes place by members standing up or sitting down in the Chamber and being counted by the tellers. In Austria voting papers are used. When a question is submitted to the ballot each member is called up to the table and he places in an urn a paper marked yes or no. This system—which if followed in Hungary—takes up as much time as walking through the lobbies. In the French Chamber of Deputies each member has a supply of voting papers on which his name is printed, white for aye and blue for no, and when a ballot is taken urns are carried round by ushers, into which each deputy drops a blue or a white ticket.

Dear Mother Eton, hear me are I die!
He ceased, and I, that long had stood amaz'd,
Held forth to him half-doubtfully the ban,
As who should thus award; it and just then
In tones so musical as to suggest,
Some half a dozen lines of nimble
Apollo, darling of the Muses, spoke:
"Self-harmony, self-unison, and tone,
These three alone make up self-government.
Music alone is mistress, she alone
Hath power to soothe the savage beast (or brest)
And thereby hangs the Music of the Spheres,
The Diapason closing full in Man.
And other catch-words close akin to these
And more obscure. Plump therfore for the lyre;
The lyre in elections always wins."

From "The Judgment of Eton," in the Cornhill Magazine for March.

Considerable opposition is being aroused in the Broadland country to the proposed scheme of drawing from their reservoirs a municipal water supply for the town of Lowestoft. There is not much fear, says the County Gentleman, that Lowestoft will drink the Broads dry, even if it were need exclusively on Yarmouth bloaters. But there is unfortunately no doubt that the institution of the necessary steam pumping plant etc, for a waterworks scheme is extremely apt to make sad work of the beauties of Nature. Thirlmere is bigger, not smaller, than it was before it slaked the throats and filled the baths of Manchester; but without wishing to see adopted any impractically aesthetic standpoint, it is certainly to be hoped that if the Boards are tapped in like fashion, it will be done with particular pains to cause the smallest possible defacement of scenery

In the heart of London at present there is an experience to be enjoyed by all lovers of contrast, and one that may never recur to an equal degree. It is a contrasted tableau of Energy and Art and the Energy comes first. At the head of Regent-street the disappearance of Jimmy's and a cluster of attendant buildings has left a gulf of vast dimensions, bigger than anything the oldest inhabitant remembers in the whole of the West End. It bears even the excavations of the Hotel Cecil; and as for the other obvious parall, the foundation lying of Bentley's New Cathedral, there is this advantage, that you may see it from the of a passing omnibus. At a depth of nearly forty feet there is a seething and rattling jumble of machinery, mrterials, and men. The tangs of donkey-bricks thrust themselves despairingly in air; there is a hiss of escaping steam at intervals; and the stolid crunch of a cement-grinder completes the aching metaphor. The strange scene looks as if London had had a great back tooth drawn out, and you are reminded of Elia's simile about the reluctant tenant and the mandrake—torn out with blood and groans.

The omnibus lurches on, to land you, if you be so minded, at the doors of the New Gallery. The turnstile in the porch is a reminiscence of the ultra-mechanical scene you have left behind; and the persistence of an applicant in front of you, trying to evade the payment of coin, hardly conduces to the right dispositions. Lazarus is doubly importunate when he wears the disguise of a deadhead, and flourishes a ticket of admission that is deader-still. Eventually, with a scowl, he fishes out his luncheon money, and the way is clear. Once inside you forget the deadhead and the derrick in this atmosphere of undisturbed serenity. Figures in black move noiselessly among figures in marble, and here and there bronze looks on with a deep impassive Phidian calmness from behind a clump of laurels, or the half-venturesome shyness of a many-branching palm. It only needs a murmur of applause to make you think the "Moonlight Sonata" has just been played and passed away into silence. Some one sidles up and begs the loan of your catalogue, it is the "deadhead. You make it over to him altogether and depart consigning it and him to the bottom of the sea—or the derrick-pit whichever is the fwore.

While carrying on some excavations near the foundations of the old Church of St. Peter on top of Monmartre, M. Sauvageot, a well-known French antiquary, has discovered a love-letter which is seven hundred years old. It was written by the knight Jean de Gisors to his lady, Alice de Lisle. In his letter the knight declares for all the world to know that he has worshipped the fair Lady Alice from afar, that never had she given him any right to declare his love, but that her image has been his guiding star for years, and that now, on the eve of battle, he wishes to send her a chaste farewell. Apparently the damsel never got the letter, for the knight was slain the next day upon the battlements, and buried in the trench, whence his bones have been exhumed by the casual pick of a modern antiquary.

In Tokyo the newspaper most widely read is the Hochi Shimbun (the Bulletin News), which sells 200,000 copies daily. The Hochi is the great Opposition journal, the organ of the more influential of the Elder Statemen. Then there is the Jiji Shimpo the Nichi Nichi the Kokumin, and the Asahi of Tokyo, all with circulations of between 50,000 and 180,000. The Kokumin is the Government organ, and it will be remembered (writes Mr. Yasajiro Ishikawa, editor of the Hochi Shimbun, in an article in the Philadelphia Public Ledger) that when peace was singed the angry inhabitants of Tokyo, enraged at its attitude and acquiescence with the peace treaty, attacked the offices and nearly caused a serious outbreak.

Sussex can coast many striking examples both lay and clerical, of longevity, but one of the most striking is the career of the Rev. Edward Boys Elliman, who died on February 22. Born three months after the Battle of Waterloo, he graudated from Wadham College, Oxford, with a first class in Mathematics and a fourth in Litera Humaniores, as B.A. in the year after Queen Victoria's accession, and M.A. in 1840. In 1838 he became curate of Berwick, a pretty little down village near the ancient smuggling capital of Sussex, Alfriston, and within sight of Firle (pronounced Furrell) Beacon and the Long Man of Wilmington, two well-known points on the Sussex Downs between Lewes and Eastbourne. He left this curacy in 1844 for the vicarage of Wartling, a village just south of Hurstmonceux, but returned to Berwick in 1846 to be the father of a flock ranging probably between 200 and 150 souls for the extraordinary term of sixty years. Berwick church, situated on a gentle mound, looks over cornfields to Alciston on another, and a little north towards Seimeston (pronounced Simson), where last year died Parish, the author of the famous Dictionary of the Sussex Dialect. Counting in the six years of his curacy, Mr. Elliman ministered in Berwick for sixty-six years. Mr. Lucas records that a foemer rector should it not be vicar?—has a memorial in Berwick Church, which claims that this name speaks all learning humane and divine, and that his memory is precious both to the Muses and the Graces. It should not be difficult to make a telling and true inscription to the memory of the Rev. Edward Boys Elliman.

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We are moved to these remarks by the inspection of two or three communications which came recently into the hands of a collector of such trifles. One was a postcard written years ago to the editor of a humble provincial paper by a novelist who is not only eminent to-day, but rich enough to buy it back with a banknote if he knew of its existence. Why he chose this particular paper in order to suggest the adjectives it should use in its review, it would be hard to say, except that it belonged to the only town of any prominence which had not furnished him with a compliment sufficiently flattering to appear in his quoted Opinions of the Press. Needless to say the review was never done, the book was dropped into the waste-paper basket, and the postcard was mounted into the editor's album. The other two communications were sent recently to another quarter by two women of very different degrees of fame. One is an author of some notoriety, who wrote a postcard which bristled with capitals and notes of exclamation, asking why a review of her latest effort had not been adorned with a photograph she had supplied for the purpose, and the cutting reply was returned that it was not sufficiently decorative. The third of these trophies was a reply sent by a young novelist to a well-known magazine of the bookish order which had applied for her portrait and a biographical note. The graceful reply (and it reassures one as to the survival of modesty in immodest days) was as follows:—I trust that, being also completely unknown and untried author, I may not appear inconsiderate to my publishers, nor ungrateful to you if I confess for the present I prefer to remain a voice rather than a person.

Messrs. Macmillan are publishing a work which bids fair to be the most valuable contribution to sociology since the great synthesis of Herbert Spencer saw completion. This is the first volume, Origin and Development of Moral Ideas, by Dr. Westermarck, best known in this country perhaps by his History of Human Marriage. This time the great scientist leaves his favourite field of anthropology and betakes himself to the more rationalistic school of jurisprudence and psychology. In Morocco alone, which, curiously enough, he found to be a country fertile in material for research, the author spent four years and this dip into a state of civilisationless varnished than our own ought to yield some interesting comparisons with our boasted stage of progress. Probably the moral will be found in the old and rather cynical conclusion that men and women now are much as ever they were but in regard to the main elements of morality—right, wrong, justice duty, and merit—it is always interesting to learn to how they became fixed in our modern codes.

While Mr. Hardy is giving us the Napoleonic drama on a colossally grand scale, Q comes forward with an extravaganza of the Boney period, one of the maddest, merriest books he has ever written. It had to be such, being about one of the old Mayors of Cornwall. If the necessity is not at once obvious to those who only England know, and not the Delectable Duchy, they will be prepared by the traditional jests about Cornish Mayors with which the book opens—the Mayor of Falmouth, who thanked God when the town gaol was enlarged, and so on. And rare sport Q has with Solomon Hymon, Esq., Mayor of Troy, and eke Major of that valiant corps of Volunteers, the Troy Gallants. Those Duchy Volunteers of the Boulogne camp time were as worthy and as amusing as the Mayors—the Mevagissey Battery, for instance, in Mevagissey, as you may be aware, the bees fly tail foremost; and, therefore, to prevent bickerings it was wisely resolved at the first drill to make every unit of this corps an officer. Whether the great Hymen is more diverting as the heroic Major or as the Solomonic Mayor (and he really is a bit of a hero and a Solomon), we cannot decide. But when Q comes in his third chapter to the scare of an immediate coming of the Millennium, which sprang from a dispute between two vicars as to whether the century began in 1800 or 1801, he reaches a pitch of rollicking fun which threatens to be hard to maintain. Miss Marty's dread of its arrival in the middle of spring-cleaning, and her wonder whether the Major will be knighted because it will occur in his mayority are typical touches.

"Q" does keep up on this level. Perhaps he does not exactly realise the period, and his early nineteenth-century folk very much as if they had been born a century later. But the fun of the great mimic night battle between the Troy Gallants and the Looe Diehards, mixed up as it is with the Millennium and a huge smuggling coup, is just riotous. Later the book achieves a really fine feat. While the circumstances of the Major's capture by the press gang at Plymouth are as deliriously farcical as ever, the sequel of his eventual return from long captivity in France touches a higher plane and yet is true to the consistent strain of fun. We must not explain the how and the why too closely, for fear of spelling sport. But it may be said that there is real pathos and forceful revelation of the genuine dignity of Hymens character, and, above all a flash of imaginative genius in this picture of a legendary hero's Enoch Arden-like return to his own apotheosised memory. No one will weep over it probably; it is still too funny for that. But the blend of brilliant farce and pathetic irony in these last chapters is quite masterly.

Among contemporary poets of distinction Mr. Alfred Austin is one of the least fertile. His output in recent years has been remarkably small for one holding the position of Laureate, and perhaps Mr. William Watson is the only important writer of poetry who has produced so little. One cannot but feel that the hostile attitude of the Press and the public may have produced a timidity on the part of Mr. Austin which has kept him from publishing his work. The fact that he was decorated with the laurel brought upon him some ridicule, which as a writer of verses, he did not deserve. At any rate it is to be hoped that his new poem, The Door of Humility to be published by Messrs. Macmillan will be judged moreupon its merits than some of his other works. Many of Mr. Austin's lyrics are full of grace and charm, and there has been a tendency to forget the merit of these in condemning the less successful poems of the Laureate.

The Making of Modern Egypt is to be the title of Sir Auckland Colvins important new work dealing with the re-creation of Egypt from the Arabi rising until to-day. The author has been Lieut.-Governor of the North-West Provinces and Oudh, and before that, as Comptroller General of Egypt and Financial Adviser to the Khedive, he had peculiar opportunities for studying the rapid evolution of European influence in Egypt. His book is being issued by Messrs. Seeley. In celebration of the tercentenary of the birth of Rembrandt Mr. Heinemann announces a memorial of the artist, which is to be published simultaneously in England, France, Germany, and Holland. It will contain 40 Rembrandt photogravure reproductions of the finest pictures of Rembrandt, and there will be in addition facsimile reproductions of a number of his drawings, with accompanying text by Emile Michel. The present publication will appear in fortnightly parts at 2s. 6d. starting on March 9th, so as to be complete in time for Rembrandt's birthday, July 15th, 1900.

Maurus Jokai, the Hungarian novelist, ought to be much more widely read than he has been hitherto. Some of his best works have been compared, not without reason, to the novels of Scott. Nevertheless, they are essentially Hungarian, and there is nothing quite like them in English. Messrs. Jarrol are commencing a series of popular volumes containing his more interesting works. The first of these will be The Green Book, or Freedom Under the Snow, a romance of political life in Russia during the conspiracies of 1824-25.

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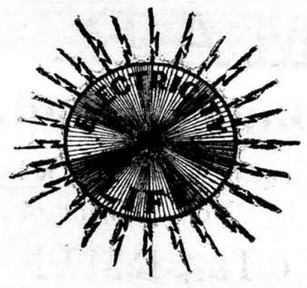

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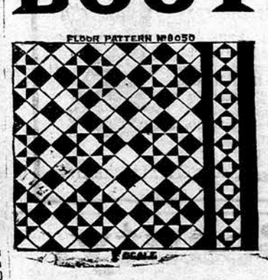

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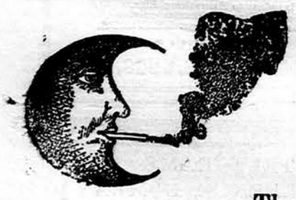

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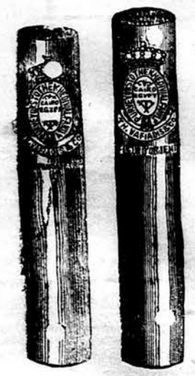

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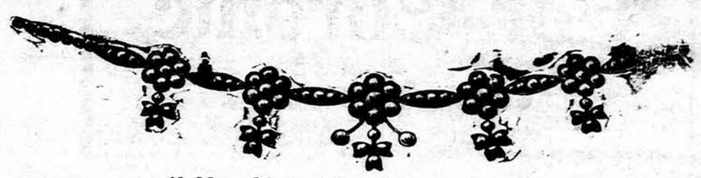

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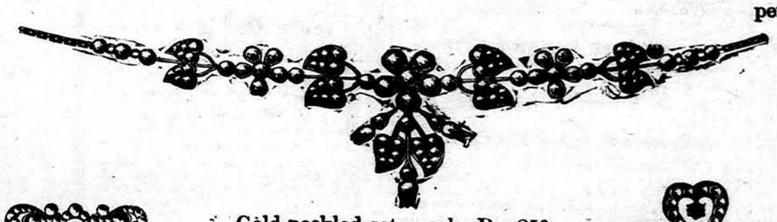

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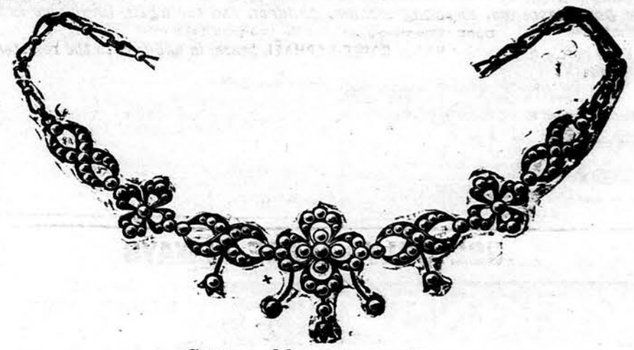

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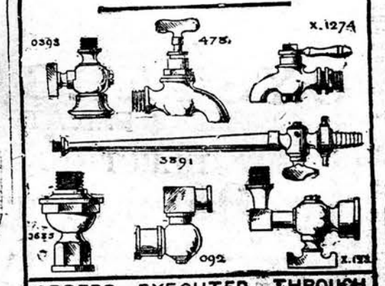

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